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Chinese Dollar's Recovery

Shanghai, July 17.
The Chinese Dollar the last 48 hours made a notable recovery, gaining 4,000 points in relation to the United States dollar.

At midweek, U.S.\$1 brought CNY\$15,000. Today it will bring only CNY\$11,000. The reason is not clear.

Some say the increased pressure of the national government's economic policy has stalled the Black Market dealing in U.S. dollars and goldbars. When the people are afraid to buy or sell on the Black Market, the Chinese dollar always gains in value.

Others say "money scarcity" is the cause. Still others ascribe the recovery to news of Weymeyer's coming to China which, they said, augurs more United States help.

Easing of the military situation in Manchuria and government successes on other fronts probably helped.

Chinese money has been fairly steady around CNY\$45,000 since the last big drop in late June when it fell from an average of CNY\$32,000 all the way to an average of CNY\$45,000.—Associated Press.

Free Gold Market In P.I.

Manila, July 17.
A flourishing free gold market for gold sales in Manila appeared assured today when the Philippine Government indicated that the Republic would no longer hinder private gold sales to China, Britain and other purchasers at prices higher than the American controlled rate of US\$35 per ounce.

It was recalled that recently President Manuel Roxas said he would like to see the establishment of a gold market in the islands to help rebuild rapidly the Republic's gold mines.

The statement today, of American Secretary of the Treasury John Snyder that the United States Government would make no effort to prevent an American firm from buying Canadian gold ore and refining it in the United States and re-exporting it for sale abroad at prices higher than the US\$35 per ounce rate, appeared as an indication that there would be no objections from America to similar operations in the Philippines.—Associated Press.

N.T. SHOOTING VICTIMS

Sub-Inspector Nippard, who received a bullet wound near the spine at about 7 p.m. on Tuesday in the course of a gun battle with some 15 to 20 armed desperadoes at Ma Cho Lung in the Lokmachau district along the Shum Chun River, underwent an operation at the Kowloon Hospital yesterday afternoon.

The "China Mail" was informed that the operation was successful and that the bullet was extricated. Up to a late hour last night, the condition of S/I Nippard was reported to be "satisfactory."

P. C. C. Lu Chak-wah, who was wounded in the hip at the same time and who was also admitted to the Kowloon Hospital, was said to be progressing satisfactorily.

Enquiries from Police sources elicited the information that no arrests have so far been made, though immediately upon receipt in Hong Kong of a report regarding the incident, Mr. H. W. E. Heath, Commanding Officer of Kowloon and New Territories, led a party of police, 50 strong, to the scene of the shooting and scoured the countryside.

INLAND REVENUE STATEMENT

Profits Tax Assessment In September

Tax Evasion Warning

Mr. E. W. Pudney, Commissioner of Inland Revenue, indicated at a Press Conference yesterday afternoon, that assessment of profits tax would commence from September. Collection will be made between October and December.

While expressing appreciation of the cooperation which his Department had so far received from all sections of the community, Mr. Pudney sounded a note of warning. Any person who attempts to evade payment of income tax will be severely dealt with. There will be no leniency shown, even to first offenders.

Addressing those present, Mr. Pudney said:

"The work of the Department so far, has consisted mainly of the opening of files and the sending out of return forms to potential taxpayers, advising taxpayers on the completion of these forms and receiving back completed returns and filing them pending the commencement of assessment work. It is not expected that assessment, generally, will start before September.

"Some figures may be of interest as indicating the activities of the Department, so far. Over 10,000 files have been opened for potential Profits Tax payers and a similar number of returns have been sent out. It was anticipated that at least 24,000 files would eventually be opened for Profits Tax payers. The work is not yet half complete and new files are being opened and returns sent out at the rate of about 1,000 per week. So far, about 60 per cent of the returns sent out have been received back in the Department, most of the re-

EXAM PAPERS LEAKAGE

Irregular tactics on the part of certain students has made it necessary for 512 students to re-sit for the School Leaving examination, the "China Mail" learned last night.

Two hundred and seventy-eight students will have to be re-examined in Chinese and 234 in chemistry, these being the two papers the questions of which, apparently leaked out in advance.

maintaining 40 per cent being cases in which the maximum period for completion has not yet expired. The recipient is allowed one month within which to return the form.

"The returns received back are, in many cases, incomplete, and in some cases, are entirely blank. Further investigation, of course, is necessary in all cases such as these. 4,000 Employers' Returns under Salaries Tax have been sent out and many of these have been completed and returned to this office. The work of preparing individual Salaries Tax Returns has only just started and so far, about 3,000 have been prepared.

"It gives me great pleasure to record that the response of the public has been good, especially where people understand the Ordinance. The chief difficulties which have been encountered have arisen owing to lack of understanding and it is one of the principal aims of this Department and its Staff, to explain the Ordinance to those who find difficulty in comprehending it. Any person in doubt as to how he should fill up his return form may obtain free assistance in the Inland Revenue Department.

"There has been little or no evidence of any obstructionism and the attitude, generally, of potential taxpayers in Hong Kong has been most satisfactory.

Property Tax

"The demand notes for Property Tax are now being prepared and will be issued shortly. There are some 40,000 allotments in respect of Hong Kong, Kowloon and New Territories. These will be issued from the Treasury and payment will be made in the Treasury.

"Demand notes for Property

Tax in the New Territories are also being prepared and will be issued shortly, and tax will be payable at the Land Offices in Ping Shan, Tai Po and at the District Office, Peninsula Hotel Kowloon.

Salaries Tax

"Employers' returns are now being received back and on the basis of the information contained in these returns, individual return forms are being prepared and will be sent out within the course of the next month or so. Individuals will then be required to complete these returns, which contain sections for the claiming of personal and family allowances. After verification of these returns, assessments will be made. Facilities will be given for payment of Salaries Tax in instalments where the taxpayers so desire.

Profits Tax

"In laying down rates of depreciation and various other matters have been drawn up by the Board of Inland Revenue and are now with H.E. the Officer Adminstrating the Government for submission to the Legislative Council for approval. They will be published within the next few weeks. Much time is being spent in discussion regarding the interpretation of the Ordinance.

"These discussions are proving most interesting and of value both to the Department and taxpayers, and I should like to express my appreciation of the assistance given by the taxpayers and their representatives. "Some difficulty is being experienced in connection with Chinese Accounts. These difficulties, however, were not unexpected and will no doubt be overcome quite amicably in due course. One difficulty arises from uncertainty regarding the actual year to which Chinese Accounts relate.

"It is not always clear as to what calendar is being used, whether the Gregorian or the Lunar Calendar, nor is it always clear which year of the Gregorian Calendar is referred to. Thus, the phrase "35th year of the Republic of China, 3rd month, 14th day" is open to various interpretations.

"It is suggested that it would assist this Department if Chinese who close their accounts in accordance with the traditional Chinese year, instead of prefixing the date with either a year in the Gregorian Calendar or the phrase, "the year of

Flood Victims Eat Grass And Roots

Canton, July 17.
The CNRRA Air Transport liaison plane brought word today from one of Kwangtung's disaster zones that thousands of flood victims are eating wild grass and roots to prevent starvation until relief can reach them.

In the vicinity of Samchow, southwest of Canton, whole villages and countless individual farmhouses are still completely surrounded by water which also covers all the crops, although there has been a marked recession of the flood.

Dr. P. C. Wong, CNRRA investigator who has been spot checking the flooded regions by air, was told that people in the outlying villages had been reduced to starvation diet. Five million persons in all are estimated to have been affected in varying degrees by

SUIYUAN BORDER ACTIVITY

Nanking, July 17.
A despatch to the "Hainan Min Pao" from Peiping quoting a traveller from the north-west said Outer Mongolian troops were active on the Suifu-Yuan border, having crossed into Chinese territory. The despatch said Outer Mongolian forces were establishing border defence headquarters at Wudengshou, well within the Suifu-Yuan region. The area concerned is generally settled wasteland with many hundreds of thousands of square miles without Chinese Government jurisdiction.—Associated Press.

Plane Damaged By Fire

Three coolies received burns in a fire which damaged a Douglas Dakota aircraft of Cathay Pacific Airways at Kai Tak yesterday.

The fire, which occurred at 9.30 a.m., started through a coolie smoking near some paint remover. The blaze spread to the fuselage of the plane, damaging the nose.

A fire appliance belonging to the airport was rushed to the workshop but failed to work and the blaze eventually was extinguished by fire-fighting equipment from the R.A.F. and H.M.S. Flycatcher. The Dakota had been stripped of its engines and was undergoing overhaul.

The Chinese Republic," should give the name of the Chinese year, e.g., "Bing Su" year or "Ding Hoi" year. "Another difficulty which is inseparable from small businesses is the absence of detailed accounts. In a number of instances, returns have been supported only by a monthly summary of total receipts and total payments. It is appreciated that many small businesses cannot afford the expense of a bookkeeper, and Section 60(4) has been inserted in the Ordinance to deal with such cases where there is any likely liability to tax.

"The Section provides for assessment on the basis of a percentage of the total turnover. The percentage to be adopted will be that which is general among businesses of the type concerned. Experience in England showed that small firms could not afford to keep detailed accounts and there was no intention to force small firms here to employ bookkeepers.

Interest Tax

"There appears to be some doubt in the minds of the public as to the application of 5 (Continued on Page 8 col. 5)

To Refuel In Air Over H.K.

New York, July 17.
A light single-engine "Piper Cub" plane, in a nonstop flight around the world will refuel in the air over Hong Kong and other Far Eastern cities.

Two men have planned such a trip and two others announced they would attempt more leisurely globe-girdling flights in similar type planes. The nonstop journey is planned by Ted Thompson, 35, Bella Glade, Fla., airport operator and wartime ferry pilot, and Hunter C. Moody, 35, Decatur, Illinois, airport manager and former co-holder of the world's flight endurance record. Thompson said the two plan to take off from New York about August 15 in a regulation "Piper Cub" monoplane. Refueling in the air will be accomplished, Thompson said, by picking up five-gallon plastic cans of fuel, 100 gallons at a time, with a special device they patented similar to that used by mail pickup planes. The route will be by way of Gander, Newfoundland, Shannon, Elre, Athens, Karachi, Hongkong, the Aleutians and Alaska, Thompson said, and will take about 10 days.—Associated Press.

Murder Plot In Korea

Seoul, July 17.
United States Army Headquarters revealed today the discovery of an alleged leftist plot to assassinate two Korean police leaders with the finding of 247 explosive detonators and eight fuses in the home of Lee Young-kwan, leader of the People's Democratic Front.

The police are now hunting for Lee, whose son was held for questioning. Five hand grenades and Japanese swords and daggers were also found in Lee's home. The Army said Dr. Chough Byung-cho, Director of the National Police, and Police Chief Chang Sung had been marked for assassination. A grenade thrown at Chough failed to explode but another hurled at Chang burst and killed his bodyguard.

Four members of the People's Democratic Front were arrested on Sunday in connection with the plot.—United Press.

BOAC CRASH

London, July 17.
All members of the crew were killed and 12 passengers injured when a BOAC aircraft bound from London to Calcutta crashed at the Shaibah aerodrome near Basra last night. A BOAC official stated in London today.

No passengers were killed. The injured were taken to No. 28 Indian General Hospital near Basra.

The plane circled Basra and Shaibah aerodromes for two and a half hours in extremely bad visibility and crashed while landing at Shaibah.—Reuter.

Hamburg, July 17.
The U.S. Occupation authorities have vetoed the compulsory labour law which was passed on June 19 by the director of the Hesse Provincial Parliament, the German News Service in the British Zone reported today.—Reuter.

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HOUSING PLAN MEETING

Increasing interest in both Mr. Hugh Bragg's Cooperative Home-Building Society and Mr. U. T. Chee's Cooperative Home Construction Association was registered yesterday when the former's list of applications jumped to 450 and the latter's to 215.

The Kowloon Residents' Association, which is sponsoring Mr. Bragg's scheme, is calling a public meeting at 6 p.m. on July 28 in the St. Andrew's Church Hall to hear the public's views on the subject.

Big City Building Scheme

One of Hong Kong's oldest buildings is scheduled to be demolished after September, the "China Mail" learned last night.

The building houses Nos. 11, 13 and 13a, Queen's Road, Central, on the corner of Icehouse Street. The tenants affected are St. Francis Hotel, which also runs the Rosette Hall and a lounge on the ground floor; the China State Bank, Limited; the Masonic Society; and the solicitors firm of M. A. da Silva. The tenants presumably will have to vacate the building by the end of September. It is understood that the

Nanking Talks On Japan Trade

Shanghai, July 17.
Leading Chinese industrial and commercial circles here interested in the forthcoming resumption of private trade with Japan, have been summoned to Nanking for a conference with the Ministry of Economic Affairs to discuss the allocation of export items and the choice of commercial representatives to proceed to Japan.

The Ministry is said to be especially anxious that the 64 Chinese business men—China's quota out of 400 foreign traders to be permitted to enter Japan for commercial contacts—selected for the Japan trip should be truly representative of Chinese industries and trades.

A semi-official Chinese source here said today that China in face of her economic difficulties was considering confining her trade with Japan for the time being along barter lines.

He also declared that the lifting of the ban on private trade does not mean the beginning of free trade with Japan. SCAP would continue, he said, to exercise strict supervision over all commercial transactions with Japan, including the quantity of goods imported and exported.

He is of opinion that the work of China's first trade delegation to Japan would be experimental in nature.—Reuter.

Yuan Petition

Nanking, July 17.
More than 500 members of the Control Yuan today signed a petition asking the Government not to permit the reopening of private trade between China and Japan.

Local newspapers reported that the Control Yuan members expressed the fear that the resumption of commerce will mean the resumption of Japanese economic aggression. In a 1,000 word recommendation, they maintained that

THE WEATHER

The depression to the NE of Luzon is filling up. Another tropical depression appears to be forming about 100 miles to the SE of Manila, direction of movement unknown. Pressure remains high to the SE of Japan. A depression is moving E across the Yellow Sea and a trough of low pressure extends from it to the Gulf of Tonkin.

Today's Forecast—Moderate E. wind, fair and hot. Cloud increasing during the day.
Yesterday's Weather—B. to C. Maximum 82.5 deg. F. Minimum 72.5 deg. F. Sunshine 8.5 hours.
Rainfall Nil. Total since January 1, 1947, 127.4 mm. as against an average of 115.5 mm.
Readings at 10 a.m. 100.5 deg. F. Humidity 75 per cent. Dew Point 78 deg. F. Wind Force 3 knots.

CLOTH RATION TO BE ISSUED

More than 2,000,000 yards of Japanese manufactured poplin are to be rationed within the next 10 days to Hong Kong's 1,049,622 registered rice ticket holders, the "China Mail" learned officially yesterday.

Each of the 214,975 households will be eligible for 11 yards of poplin at prices ranging from \$1.10 to \$2 a yard, with a choice of two of about 14 colours.

Distribution of the cloth is scheduled to begin on Tuesday through the different rice ration shops in the Colony.

The \$1.10, \$1.40, \$1.50 and \$2 a yard categories will be available for householders on the island while Mainland householders will have only two categories to choose from—the \$1.30 and \$1.40 a yard groups.

The cloth is also to be rationed to members of the essential services.

The authorities concerned have 1,200,000 yards ready for immediate distribution with more than 1,000,000 yards in reserve. Residents registered at the Dairy Farm and Lane, Crawford are not eligible for cloth rations.

More than 10 local dyeing factories were employed to dye the cloth.

owners of the building, the Hong Kong Land Investment and Agency, Limited, intend to erect a modern structure, plans for which are now being prepared.

Children's Excursion Tragedy

Genoa, July 17.
Forty-five school children and two teachers were drowned late last night when an excursion boat struck a steel piling 150 yards off shore at Albenga and sank almost immediately. Ten other children were missing.

The boat was loaded with about 75 children vacationing on the Riviera as the guests of charitable organizations. Albenga is about 45 miles southwest of Genoa.

Rescuers worked in darkness and rough waters to bring more than 70 children ashore by midnight but 45 were either dead or died en route to hospital. The hospital authorities said another 20 had little chance to live.

There was no complete passenger list but the organization sponsoring the excursion said the ship carried about 82 children between 10 and 12 and about five adult chaperones. Casualties to the boat's other passengers and crew were not known.—United Press.

MINE DISASTER OFF SIAM

Bangkok, July 17.
The "200-ton lighter" "Thial," belonging to the East Asiatic Company, struck a mine near Koh Sichang on Tuesday evening and sank instantly.

The report of the disaster received by the Company today said ten died and many were wounded.

The Company said it understood it was a magnetic mine though this is not immediately ascertainable.—United Press.

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Coming Events

August 7—H.K. & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. Ltd. annual meeting, noon.
August 12—H.K. & S'hai Hotels annual meeting, noon.

Personalia

Peninsula Hotel arrivals on Wednesday included P. Chaitanya, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Coughran, William Ch. Long, J.T. Chai, W.C. Kwok, G.T. Yang and W.V. Ahern.

Peninsula Hotel departures on Wednesday included V.O. Remedios, R. Egal, E.J. de la Rosa, Miss M.V. Dibbell, L. Pirola, Mrs. G. Pirola and Miss M. Lovegreen.

Reader's Letters

Sir—Eileen Keith's letter of 14th inst. has made me wonder if she has nothing else to do but to suggest three other ways whereby the War Memorial fund can be augmented.

Thus this War Widow, as she styles herself, remits that "1 per cent addition," "5 per cent addition," and an "additional 10 per cent" mean so much more we taxpayers have to pay in order to maintain her, etc. Haven't we got enough funds in the Colony to subscribe to already? I shall soon canvass for donations which will spare the sweat on my brow working to maintain a family. Shall I or must I make you a "sucker"? Let's concentrate on the housing shortage problem—a common affair rather than on a particular item for the benefit of one.

CANT TAKE IT.

HAWKING IN HARBOUR

Apparently finding competition too keen on land, three Chinese hawkers hired a sampan and took their wares afloat and fresh fish to the sea. "Hong Kong" which they boarded without the permission of the skipper. They were arrested by the police and fined \$30 or seven days' imprisonment at the Marine Court yesterday for unlawful boarding.

For snatching a gold bangle from a young woman and, in making his getaway, knocking down an elderly man and breaking his glasses, Chan Keung, no fixed abode, was given four months hard labour when he was found guilty by Mr. F. X. d'Almeida at Central yesterday. He was further ordered to \$25 compensation for the broken spectacles and, in default, to have another week of imprisonment.

RAILWAY IMPROVEMENTS

Air Conditioning For Coaches To Hankow Canton Service Speed-Up

To sit in new and comfortable through train compartments to Hankow equipped with air conditioning, and spend only 170 minutes on a normal journey from Hong Kong to Canton, will be possible for railway travellers between these two cities in the future.

This project, which is part of the postwar plans of the Kowloon Railway in the rehabilitation of its service, depends only on British locomotive factories—which are still operating under austere conditions and shortages—being able to fulfil the large size orders which have now been placed with them.

In an interview with chief officials of the Railway yesterday, our reporter was given a full scale picture of their problems and intentions with regard to the comfort of would-be users of the service. Altogether, 31 coaches and 255 wagons are now on order from Britain. The coaches are all steel with vestibule ends, and consist of sleepers, diners, and ordinary second and third. The sleeping coaches, which are to be used for seating purposes during the day, will be air conditioned and each will possess its own heating system for cold weather. These are for the through service to Hankow. In addition to this rolling stock, orders have also been placed for other machinery and equipment to the value of about \$16,000,000.

Among the main purposes of the railway's future schedule is lowering of the present train fare charges which are now five times higher than they were pre-war.

The rise in ticket prices after the re-occupation, was due to fuel costs which are still six to eight times higher than before the war and also the increased labour rates of pay, operating costs, and rehabilitation expenditure.

Speed-Up

Until 1941, very intense competition between river and rail travel successfully kept down travel charge rates between Hong Kong and Canton, and fares were abnormally low. Now, there is very little river competition and present single rail fare charges to Canton are set at \$26.40 (First class), \$17.60 (Second class) and \$8.80 (Third class).

As regular users of the Hong Kong-Canton rail-line know, the average length of time

Passenger Figures

Now running between here and Canton, are six "normal" speed passenger trains, two "slow" passenger trains, and two goods trains. In addition, there are 12 local trains which run to the Frontier only and serve the New Territory residents and villages.

The number of passengers carried by the trains on the run between Hong Kong and Canton has progressively risen since May last year. In that month, about 13,000 passengers were taken to Canton and 48,000 brought to Hong Kong. In March this year, 71,000 went to Canton and 92,000 came to Hong Kong. In April, 16,000 went to Canton and 92,000 came to Hong Kong. This high figure in the number of departures from Hong Kong to Canton is accounted for by the Ching Ming Festival which requires the Chinese to make their traditional visit to the graves of their ancestors. In May, 81,000 went to Canton and 87,000 came to Hong Kong, while last month 70,000 went to Canton and 64,000 came to Hong Kong.

The present average number travelling per week by train is 17,000 to Canton and 15,000 from Canton, while the number of passengers on through trains between Kowloon and Chinese Territory for the 12 months ending April this year totals 687,000 to Chinese Territory and 779,000 from Chinese Territory.

Goods Traffic

On the subject of goods traffic, it was explained that the import restrictions laid down by the Chinese Government have had big repercussions on the freight quantity normally carried by the Railway. An official said: "Merchants complain that they would send many more goods into China and would like to foster postwar trade, but the restrictions are handicapping them. If there were no import regulations it is very likely there would be a very great increase in trade between the interior and the Colony."

For the 11 months up to March this year, however, 188,000 tons of freight were carried by the Kowloon Railway to Canton. This consisted of commercial goods, machinery, and UNRRA railway material for rehabilitation of the Canton

FLOOD RELIEF LOTTERY

Shanghai, July 17. The Committee of Kwangtung-Kwangsi Flood Relief today decided to issue lotteries to raise a total of CN\$50,000,000,000 to aid the millions of flood victims. According to the present plan each issue will be CN\$10,000,000,000 worth of tickets with 20 per cent of the proceeds to be distributed as prizes.—United Press.

Hankow railway. The total number of goods wagons operating between here and Canton and further north, is estimated to be about 500 per month.

As far as the rehabilitation of rolling stock was concerned following the liberation, this has been done in the Railway's own workshops as quickly as machinery and tools have been received. Included in the work which has been done locally is the refitting of miscellaneous fittings, windows, doors, lighting equipment, and lavatories.

Most of the coaches were found to be in a deplorable condition when the Railway once again took over.

Beacon Hill Tunnel

The 1-1/4 mile Beacon Hill tunnel, which was badly damaged when it was blown up in the middle, in 1941 by British Forces, and later damaged further by guerrillas, has just been completed. Work has been going on the tunnel for a year, and it has also been re-laid throughout. The Japanese did no work on it whatsoever, except to place props at various sections.

The biggest worry which is facing the Kowloon Railway authorities at present is lack of equipment. "Railway lines are causing us quite a headache because we cannot obtain them. We have big orders in but we do not expect quick delivery. There seems to be a general steel famine. We have applied both to Britain and Australia."

It is understood that 1,200 tons is needed urgently by the Railway and after that a considerable quantity more will have to be obtained until the re-laying is completed. Altogether about five miles of main line and sidings were removed by the Japanese as well as most of the signalling equipment at stations, such as double wire signalling, signal lamps, fittings, block instruments and telephones.

In a brief statement on what the first survey of the rolling stock and buildings owned by the Railway had revealed, an official said: "The Japanese had not carried out any correct maintenance to the property, nor even to locomotives which they were using at the time of the surrender. In addition, the workshops at Kowloon had been stripped of all machinery of any importance, by either the Japanese or by the Chinese in the Colony during the early days of the surrender. Probably the lighter machines were looted, leaving the removal of the heavier types to the Japanese. The depredations necessitated a completely new workshop equipment."

ST. STEPHEN'S PRIZE-GIVING

The prize giving of St. Stephen's College will be held tomorrow at Stanley at 3.30 p.m. Dr. S. W. To, LL.D., will present the prizes. Old Boys, parents and friends are invited.

Chan Kai, 20, who pleaded guilty to having snatched three wristwatches from I.A. Ng Chun Wah, Tsang Chui Chun, and Wang Yuet Wah, on July 16, July 17 and June 21, respectively, was sentenced to six months' hard labour by Mr. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday. DSI J. M. Forrest stated that the watches were valued at between \$300 to \$400, and were pawned by accused for \$80 and \$90.

Standard Restaurant Bill Forms

The proprietors of Hotels, Restaurants and Eating-houses have been informed that the approved standard bill forms are available for inspection at the Meals Tax Office.

Any proprietor who desires to obtain exemption under Regulation 4 (B) from the obligation of rendering bills is requested to make application in writing to the Accountant-General stating the grounds on which exemption is claimed.

The Summarised Daily Sheet Return Forms are now ready for issue and may be obtained free of charge, on application, at the above office. These forms must be brought into use with effect from August 1, 1947.

All applications and requests for information concerning the Meals Tax Regulations and the forms which must be used under these Regulations, should be addressed to the Meals and Liquors Tax Office, Treasury, Revenue Branch, 1A, Des Voeux Road Central, telephone No. 24640.

WAR MEMORIAL FUND

Hong Kong Telephone Co., Ltd.	\$25,000.00
The Hong Kong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.	25,000.00
Mr. C. C. Roberts	1,000.00
Wah Kiu Yat Po	1,000.00
Mr. S. Shum Wai-yau	200.00
Sir Robert H. Kotelaw	200.00
Messrs. D. W. Phillips and E. C. Brown (in memory of Mr. W. Elliott)	100.00
Mr. L. P. Ralph (in memory of A. C. Bowker, Viner Gordon, George Nye & Peter Dudley)	100.00
Mr. & Mrs. J. L. Stewart and Frances and Jessie (in memory of the late Tommy White)	50.00
The Officers, N.C.O.'s and Airmen of H.Q. R. & S. R.A.F. Kowloon	40.00
Mr. & Mrs. W. H. G. Hirst	25.00
Total	\$ 52,715.00
H.K. Govt. Contribution	\$2,715.00
Received to 10/7/47	1,769,051.88
Grand Total	\$1,874,481.88

H.K. POLICE RESERVE ORDERS NO. 20 OF 1947.

Charge Room Duties—Members of No. 2 Company will parade for charge room duty as detailed by their Company Commander. Dress, summer uniform.

Traffic Duty—Members of No. 1 Company will parade on Sunday, July 20, 1947 for Traffic Duty as detailed by their Company Commander. Duties will be performed in four shifts: from 0800 hours to 1300 hours; from 1300 hours to 1800 hours; from 1800 hours to 2300 hours. Members detailed will parade at the Central Police Station, Traffic Office. Fifteen minutes before the hour of commencing duty, to draw revolver, Dress: Khaki shirt and shorts; white and lanyard; cap; belt; hose tops; anklets and boots.

Band Practice—Band practice under Mr. P. Apps (Bandmaster) will be held as usual at the H.K.P. (B) Headquarters every Wednesday and Sunday at 1800 hours and 1100 hours respectively. A special practice will be held on Friday, July 18, 1947 at 1730 hours at the H.K.P. (B) Headquarters.

Platoon Duty—Members of No. 1 Company will parade for platoon duty on Sunday, July 21, 1947 as detailed by their Company Commander. Members detailed will parade at the station specified on their warning notice fifteen minutes before the hour of commencing duty. To draw revolver, Dress: Khaki shirt and shorts; white and lanyard; cap; belt; hose tops; anklets and boots.

Part III Training—All members of No. 8 Company will parade at the H.K.P. (B) Headquarters for lectures in revolver shooting and target-shooting exercises every Tuesday and Friday at 1730 hours until further notice. Members of Nos. 1 and 2 Companies who have failed or who have not yet freed their revolver course are also ordered to attend these lectures and exercises without fail.

Note—No member will be posted for duties unless he has passed his Part III Training Course. I.A. Revolver Firing Test.

By Order, Sd. N. G. ROLPH, Adjutant, P.M.

War's Effect On Australia

The extent of Australia's development as a result of wartime experience was briefly outlined to members of the Y's Men's Club of Hong Kong by an Australian businessman, Mr. F. J. Bundy, yesterday at the Club's regular weekly luncheon.

Housing, said Mr. Bundy, was one of the postwar problems which wartime experience has helped to solve. Mass production of prefabricated houses began shortly after the war ended, but the cost was so high—\$3,000 for a small cottage—that the project proved a failure.

Another corporation scheme, however, producing a five-room prefabricated house made of steel plates and aluminum roofing with plastic insulation, was successful, costing only \$1,200 a dwelling.

Describing the demand for houses in Australia, Mr. Bundy said that when these prefabricated houses were offered over the counter at Myer's Departmental Store, people slept outside the store for two days awaiting the opening day and queued up for more than a mile.

Mr. Bundy also described the development of Australia's steel industry. In Newcastle alone, there were today six great blast and 21 open hearth furnaces with a total of 1,500,000 tons of steel per annum compared with the prewar 190,000 tons.

Mr. Bundy added that extreme demands made on Australia's industries, big and small, during the war developed the country's manufacturing capacity beyond all expectations, endowing it with a vast increase in scientific and industrial knowledge.

Mr. Bundy is returning to Australia via Bangkok and Singapore on July 27. He is a fully-qualified pilot and saw service during the war in the European, Mediterranean and Pacific theatres flying "Spitfires" and "Thunderbolts" in both the Royal Air Force and the Royal Australian Air Force.

Funeral

Norman Railton

In the presence of a large gathering of friends and relatives, the late Mr. Norman Railton was interred at the Protestant Cemetery yesterday. The Rev. A. P. Rose officiated both at the Chapel and at the graveside. A eulogy was read by the Rev. A. P. Rose.

The deceased, who acted as a vicar at St. John's Cathedral, was interred at Stanley during the occupation by the enemy; he did wonderful work for his fellow internees.

At the time of his death he was in charge of Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. Among those present were his brother, who acted as chief mourner, and Messrs. D.F. Laidlaw, W.J. Reid, M.H. Lo, J.P. Xavier, S.M. Ahern, A.W. Black, H. Nish, W. Hyde, J.W. Clague, A.F. Hopkins, F.B. Franklin, Leung Yiu, Yeung Yam, Kwok Bing, K.K. Lee, Robert Lim, C.P. Tan and W.F. Stanton.

Wreaths were sent by Dora and family, Cecil, Duke and Mark Tom and Lyn, Leonard and Brenda, Messrs. Fay Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Grimble, Pang Kok Tui, T.T. and T.W. Lam, G.E. Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. J.V. Ramsay, R.H. Wild, D.C. Weir, W.T. Stanton, Mr. and Mrs. W. Craig, Thomson & Co., Noel and Dorothy Booker, Captain and Mrs. J. Shi, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ring, Gerald Carey, Leung Yiu Ching, Mr. and Mrs. Chak Wing, Dr. P. H. Teng, Wing Mow Douglas, Hung, Captain R.E. Smith, Masters, Officers and Engineers of Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., American Prospecting Lines, Mr. and Mrs. H. Beck, Chinese Shipping Department of Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., Hui Ming Sam, General Managers of Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.; Members and staff of European Y.M.C.A., Hong Kong; and Whampoa Dock Co., Captain and Officers of the Wing Sang and many others.

Quarantine restrictions imposed against arrivals from Canton on account of smallpox and from ports of Kwangtung Province on account of cholera have been removed.

Surprised To Hear Of Torture

"I do not know the details of the charge against Kamada, but I would be very surprised to hear that he is charged with torture and ill-treatment, because I do not think that he was the type of person who would be concerned in such torture and ill-treatment," said Matsunobe Shigeru, a defence witness who testified before No. 5 War Crimes Court yesterday.

Sgt. Major Kamada Yasushi is charged with being concerned in the ill-treatment of Chinese civilians between June 1, 1945 and August 31, 1945, which ill-treatment resulted in the death of some and much bodily suffering to others.

Matsunobe said that in June, 1945, when he was Commandant of the Stanley Kempeitai Detachment, certain employees of the Takoo Dockyard were arrested by Kamada, who was attached to the Shaukiwan Kempeitai Detachment.

An application was made that Li Wai-lam and Chang Kwan-woo, two of the arrested persons, be placed in custody at Stanley. The necessary permission was granted.

He heard from Warrant Officer Yamaguchi that Kamada carried out the arrest of the Dockyard employees because they were concerned in the luring away of coolies employed at the Dockyard. It was not true that Li Wai-lam and the others were arrested because they were suspected as spies.

Kamada interrogated Li Wai-lam and Chang Kwan-woo at Stanley on four occasions. Matsunobe had never seen Kamada carry out an interrogation.

Matsunobe declared that he had known Kamada since May 14, 1944, and had no reason to believe that Kamada resorted to torture during interrogations.

Before the Court adjourned to inspect the Stanley Police Station, Mr. Hiraakawa, defence counsel, applied for a five-day adjournment to enable him to prepare his closing address, on the ground that he was "inexperienced."

The President, in adjourning the case until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, when the closing addresses will be delivered, remarked upon the fact that although Mr. Hiraakawa had claimed to be inexperienced, his handling of the case for the defence showed that he was by no means "a stupid person."

DRIVER FINED

At the resumed hearing of the summons against Chong Ching, driver of lorry 5428, for carrying excessive passengers on June 2, Mr. Latimer found defendant guilty and imposed a fine of \$30.

Mr. A.S.C. Comber, representing the defendant and approximately another 150 other drivers and licensees summoned for the same offence, said that as the present case was in the nature of a test he would ask His Worship to state the grounds for his finding.

SEE-SAW IN GOLD

After standing for two days gold resumed its landslide yesterday and dropped to \$321.75 a tael, after opening at \$331.50. It made a remarkable recovery however, and was up again to \$328 at the close.

The see-saw movement provided a good opportunity for speculators and there was a lot of profit-taking.

Plastras also weakened and after opening at \$11.50 a 100 it fell to \$11.25, recovering slightly to \$11.30 at the close.

The bearish influence also affected Chinese National Currency which fell to 10% cents for futures and 13-1/2 cents for spot (for CN\$1,000).

There was a further easing off in U.S. dollars which yesterday were quoted at \$4.80 only. Sterling was unchanged at \$13.15 and was weak. Australian pounds were again unchanged at \$12.50.

Gold Bars Case

On the application of Mr. Marcus da Silva and Mr. Peter H. Sin, Mr. W.A. Blair-Kerr yesterday fixed August 6 as the date for the hearing of the case in which two Chinese merchants are charged with importing 93 bars of gold into the Colony.

At the previous hearing, it was stated that Liu Shui-woo, 29, and Choi Watchuen, 30, both described as merchants and giving 57 Connaught Road Central, first floor, as their Hong Kong address, were found in possession of 42 and 51 bars, respectively, when their persons and luggage were searched on their arrival at Kai Tak Airport on July 12. The total value of the gold was estimated at \$250,000 on the blackmarket, and \$150,000 at the official rate.

Mr. Silva appeared for the first defendant, and Mr. Sin for the second.

On the application of Det. Inspector C. Y. Siu, a 16-year-old Chinese girl, charged with larceny by bailor of a bicycle on June 12, was remanded for one week by Mr. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday. Det. Inspector Siu informed His Worship that the documents from Stanley Gaol, where "Bai Chai" (Limp Fellow) Lee Sum is serving a two-month sentence for larceny of singlets and to whom the bicycle was allegedly handed by the accused, had not yet been received.



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Morrison's Solemn Warning

Marshall Plan Agreement, Or Else....

Serious Transport Prospects

London, July 16. Mr. Herbert Morrison, Lord President of the Council and Britain's chief economic planner, issued today a "solemn warning" that unless some agreement was reached along the lines of the Marshall proposal for solving Europe's dollar problem, Britain would have to reconsider her whole position.

Explaining at a press conference his reference last week to the "12th hour" this autumn, Mr. Morrison said he had been alluding not to Britain's foreign exchange position specifically, but to the urgent need for speed in the drawing up of European response to the Marshall proposal for economic aid.

"In emphasizing the urgency of this, I was making the same point that Mr. Marshall himself has made," Mr. Morrison declared.

Mr. Morrison, who was answering a question as to what Britain would do if dollar assistance did not come until next spring, in view of his remarks about the twelve hour striking in autumn, did not enlarge on what a reconsideration of the whole position would imply.

His meaning, however, was clear to British hearers. An editorial in the Financial Times yesterday about the convertibility of sterling summed it up bluntly:

"Fulfillment of the terms of the American loan agreement depends, in the last resort, on an adequate supply of American dollars to keep the trade wheels moving. Much depends on Marshall. If insufficient dollar aid is forthcoming, then free convertibility, non-discrimination, and all the dogma of the brave new world will go down and the controls with which Britain and many European states protected themselves in the past will return, reinforced like the devil in the parable."

"No one here questions that this is the kind of drastic reconsideration of her position that Britain would be forced to make if efforts work out that the agreement under the Marshall proposal failed."

"There is no reason to anticipate such a failure," Mr. Morrison said today, "and we must all hope that by autumn, understandings will have been reached among the European countries which, while they cannot provide the entire solution to the problem of European or of British trade, would at least open a better road ahead."

Discussing the home economic and production picture, Mr. Morrison said that there was "no inconsistency in uttering a solemn warning about the short-term prospects and also expressing a reasoned and genuine confidence in long-term chances."

In reply to a question, he said that by short-term he meant next winter and, in fact, the next two or three years, whereas long-term meant "after that."

Going To Get Through
Britain, he said, is "going to get through anyway, and anyway it is going to be hard."

"Whether it will be a long and very rough road, or a not so long and only fairly rough road, must depend upon international decisions," Mr. Morrison added.

"Either way, and I emphasize that 'either way,' we have got to get down to it now — Government, industry and people alike, and all of us must do better than we are doing as yet."

Transport Prospect
London, July 16.

"I must warn the country we may well be faced with a serious transport prospect during the coming winter, affecting most, if not all, heavy goods, cement, iron and steel," Mr. Morrison said.

Food was unlikely to be affected.

"Shortage involves the risk

of slowing down in our industrial activity and in the building trade during the winter season," he said. The problem was goods wagons.

The provisional export figure for June was £93,100,000, which was the highest figure since December 1920.

"In terms of effort and achievement, June shows quite good results, but in relation to our present problems and difficulties quite good is a very long way from being good enough," Mr. Morrison said.

Individuality
Mr. Morrison said he was "not boiling with anxiety that all industries and all under-

Negro Told: "White Folks Only"

New York, July 16. The action of a small town Kiwanis Club in Ahoskie, North Carolina, in refusing to permit a negro farmer and veteran, Harvey Jones, to keep a Cadillac automobile he won in a lottery because "it was for white folks only" became a national issue today.

The result: The Directors of the Ahoskie Club changed their minds and voted to give the new car to 23-year-old Jones.

The Club's action came only after a storm of protest had been aroused from Ahoskie to New York, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Boston, Washington and points elsewhere.

So now both Jones and the Ahoskie physician who won the car on a second drawing will have cars. The physician already had another Cadillac.

Jones himself was about the most quiet of all in the fuss. Nothing has been quoted as coming from him.

Leading up to the Ahoskie Club's backtracking and deciding to cut Jones in for the prize were these developments:—

At Cleveland, Ohio, the newspaper "Cleveland Press" reported that Charles W. Armstrong, International President of Kiwanis Club, said in a telephone conversation from his home in Salisbury, North Carolina, that his face was "very red" over the Ahoskie Club occurrence.

Mr. Armstrong said: "The negro must be given the car even if it has to be taken away from the man who won it."

Denounced
In New York, the newspaper "PM" editorially denounced the action and announced that it was sponsoring a collection of cash to buy a Cadillac for Jones.

The Pittsburgh (Pennsylvania) Kiwanis Club—one of the nation's largest—announced it would take some action to force the Ahoskie Club to provide retribution to the negro. Club officials denounced it in the strongest terms.

The Boston Kiwanis Club intimated that it was ashamed of its Southern brothers and indicated that it would continue to cry for justice until justice was done. The Cleveland (Ohio) Club drafted a strong

JET-PROPELLED FLYING BOAT

London, July 16. Britain's first jet propelled flying boat fighter aircraft, the Saunders-Roe "A1" made a successful first test flight today.

The "A1" is a single-seat aircraft, driven by two Metropolitan Vickers jet engines, mounted side by side in the hull. As the aircraft is still on the secret list, no further details are available. —Reuter.

takings should be large scale in character" in Socialist Britain.

"Private people have to run industries and that is all to the good," he said at a luncheon address.

As Cabinet Chief of Economic Planning, he declared that "the government must not assume that it can run industry."

He said he felt it was true that public corporations could run industry but he wanted private enterprises preserved, particularly small private enterprise and he did not want to see the private individual turned into robot.

"I am a Socialist," he said, "but while I am a Socialist I sincerely and deeply and out of the profundity of my heart attach the utmost importance to individuality." —Associated Press.

Atomic Quota Treaty?

Lake Success, July 16.

Russia today proposed a world atomic quota treaty to regulate mining and disposal of each nation's uranium and thorium ore deposits.

The Soviet delegate, M. Gromyko, laid the proposal before the Atomic Commission's Political Committee at a closed meeting, saying adoption of the idea would make possible a definite advance toward world atomic control.

The Soviet proposal presumably would extend to all atomic energy facilities and nuclear fuel itself, detailing each nation's allowance and the way in which it could be used. It was the third atomic treaty proposed by Russia.

Gromyko earlier had proposed a pact requiring immediate outlawing of atomic bombs and then a second one embodying machinery for a world control agency to inspect and regulate atomic energy.

Gromyko rejected the American-endorsed suggestion that the proposed world atomic authority be given "the right of ownership over the world's uranium and thorium from the minute they leave the ground."

In the third proposed treaty, the Soviet representative demanded that quotas be spelled out specifically in a special separate convention, leaving the atomic agency merely the job of seeing the quotas filled.

Each time the quota has to be changed under this system the treaty would have to be amended. The other delegates declined to comment on the Russian suggestion. —United Press.

morning and told me I had won the Cadillac. I knew nothing about a negro winning it on the first drawing until I read it in the paper. I don't believe I can be blamed in any way." —United Press.

NUJ ASKS FOR LAW TO PREVENT MONOPOLY

London, July 16. A law to prevent the formation of monopolies in the newspaper business was among the suggestions submitted by the National Union of Journalists to the Royal Commission on the Press now inquiring into the ownership of British newspapers and news agencies.

This was disclosed today by the publication of a 20,000-word memorandum of evidence submitted by the Union and presented during a secret session to the Commission appointed by the Government earlier this year following representations by the Union.

Other suggestions made during the Union's evidence included:—

A reformed law of libel; a fixed ratio of advertisements to editorial space; encouragement by tax benefit to newspapers putting their ownership into an approved type of trust, definitely laying down the rights of editors; compulsory publication of owners, shares, capital, etc.; "disclosure of interest" above leading articles and prohibition of black lists.

The first submission in the lengthy memorandum was: "We seek above all, as a body of professional men and women, the industry in which we serve the community should be directed and managed primarily in the public interest. We are

of the opinion that the production of newspapers cannot be governed by the strictly commercial considerations which govern the making and marketing of other commodities in general demand."

Public Trust
"Our function is in the nature of a public trust and should be so regarded."

"We do not seek — indeed we should feel it our duty strongly to resist — any measure that would bring the press even with the shadow of Government control. The experience of the totalitarian regimes shows clearly enough for the most careless democrat to note that this is the path to the extinction of free and independent criticism." —Reuter.

Labour Direction Opposed

London, July 16. Britain's biggest labour union turned down a resolution advocating compulsory direction of industry by Government.

Delegates to the annual conference in Hastings of the Transport and General Workers Union thereby refused to follow their own leaders and in particular inflicted a check on Mr. Arthur Deakin, General-Secretary of the Union, who again today advocated "limited direction of labour."

The resolution that the delegates refused to accept after a debate in private session was not a specific question of direction of labour, but it was on a closely related subject.

It called on the Government compulsorily to direct industry so as to provide a balanced industry. The resolution referred mainly to the problem of distributing industry geographically — regions built up industrially only as a result of war-time industry.

Implicit in this compulsory direction of industry by Government, however, was the issue raised yesterday by Mr. Deakin, when he startled delegates to the conference by advocating "a limited measure" of direction of labour.

This could mean a return to the wartime system whereby the Government was able to tell any worker where he or she should go and what he or she should do.

In the face of developing opposition to his suggestion, Deakin today explained to the conference that by "limited direction of labour" he meant there should be limited direction of people who are doing no job or work at the present time.

He did not, however, abandon the principle of direction of labour, though whether he intends to press the matter further in view of the negative attitude of the conference is not clear.

His advocacy came as a complete surprise to the Government, and was not, as has been suggested, a trial balloon, it was learned on good authority today.

Govt. Attitude

The attitude of the Government — as it could be ascertained today — is still opposed to the direction of labour both in principle because it is regarded as a blow to democratic freedom, and in practice because the difficulties of applying the measure in peace-time would be enormous.

The Government, it is learned, has always believed that trade unions are also opposed to the direction of labour in peace-time.

Unless there is a strong demand from more than one union, therefore, it can be taken that the Government does not intend to change its policy.

Prices

The conference adopted a resolution today calling on the Government to review prices and distribution costs and to consider an extension of subsidies in an attempt to maintain the real value of wages.

Another resolution pledged the conference to strive for the "fullest possible measure of cooperation between the British labour movement and the labour and progressive movements of other countries."

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, who returned from Paris today, is to address the conference tomorrow. —Reuter.

A New Printing Process

New York, July 16.

A revolutionary printing process, which eliminates several steps in newspaper production, has been successfully used for several months by the "Leesburgh (Florida) Ledger."

The process, designed to cut printing costs, by-passes the use of linotype machines, stereotyping and matrices by taking copy from a special typewriter and engraving it on a magnesium plate, from which any conventional press can print a newspaper direct.

The announcement was made by William K. Higgins Company, which developed the process. The company said headlines were set by phototype but typewriters to set heads will be produced soon.

Magnesium engraving permits the use of an unlimited number of pictures without additional cost. —United Press.

Families To Improve Morale

Jerusalem, July 16.

The Palestine Government is considering bringing back to Palestine a "limited number" of the more than 1,700 British women and children who were evacuated last February after several Britons had been kidnapped.

The return of the exiled families was understood to have been under consideration for some time because of the falling morale among British civil servants and police, as the result of forced separation.

Meanwhile, 10,500 Jews have entered Palestine with immigration certificates in the past six months. —Reuter.

ALLOCATIONS

Washington, July 17. The U.S. Agriculture Department announced the allocation of 16,876,000 lb. of meat and meat products for export during July, September quarter.

Allocations included the Philippines, 4,000,000 lb.; United Kingdom and British Services overseas, 2,000,000 lb.; Netherlands colonies, 202,000 lb.; British Dominions, colonies and protectorates, 643,000 lb. —Associated Press.

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and previous employment, should
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The Summarised Daily Sheet
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NOTICE

MOSQUITOES

An increase in the number of
mosquitoes in the Urban area
has been noted recently. This
is mainly attributable to failure
on the part of householders to
clear collections of water from
their premises and to cover
water storage tanks.

2. Members of the public are
reminded that to permit the
breeding of mosquitoes on
private premises is an offence
under the Mosquito Prevention
By-laws and they are asked to
co-operate in this matter by
clearing all accumulations of
water in bottles, tins, jars, etc.,
and by keeping all water
storage tanks properly covered
or screened.

R. W. H. MAYNARD,
Secretary, Urban Council.

URBAN COUNCIL
Hong Kong, 9th July 1947.

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TAN PA
By his Attorney.
TAN CHAI.

Hong Kong, 16th July, 1947.

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NOTICE is hereby given that
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1947.

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NOTICE

PRIZE-GIVING—Old boys,
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Stanley, on Saturday, July 19th
at 3.30 p.m.

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INDIA INDEPENDENCE BILL PASSED BY LORDS

London, July 16.
The House of Lords tonight passed the India In-
dependence Bill through all its stages. It now
only awaits the formal Royal assent on Friday
to become law.

A former Viceroy and two former Secretaries of
State for India voiced their approval of the
India Independence Bill in the House of Lords
today as the measure was rushed through its
final stages in order to set up next month the
two new Dominions of India and Pakistan.

A note of warning that In-
dia's defence might be "irre-
coverably damaged" if the two
defence forces "drafted" into
watertight compartments" was
sounded by Lord Templeton,
who as Sir Samuel Hoare piloted
through Parliament the 1935
Government of India Bill.

Lord Listerdale, the present
Secretary of State for India,
emphasising that the move to
give self-government to India
was an achievement which
might well be the opening of a
new chapter in the growth of
freedom under British rule, de-
clared that Britain's love of
India and her desire to serve
India were stronger than ever.
"We only ask the oppor-
tunity,"

Lord Pethick Lawrence,
former Secretary of State for
India, who headed the British
Cabinet Mission to India, de-
clared that while he believed
the Mission's plan had been
the better one, he gave the new
bill his wholehearted support
because it had won the approval
of the main political groups
concerned.

The other recognised au-
thority on India, who took part
in the debate was Lord Halifax,
Viceroy from 1926 to 1931, who
paid a tribute to the work of
the Labour Government and
emphasised the benefit to India
of remaining within the Com-
monwealth.

Lord Sinha, the only Indian
peer, said that the British peo-
ple had amply justified their
world reputation for keeping
their word. India had a great
spiritual background and this
"great act of faith" had made
such an appeal to the people
of India that in the midst of
all the riots during the last
year or so not a hair of the
head of any British man, woman
or child or any of their property
had been touched or damaged.

There had never been any
question of rebellion in India.
He believed that both dominions
would elect to stay on in the
British Commonwealth and
fight side by side for liberty
and freedom as they had done for
generations.

Freedom was a great word
but equality impressed them
even more and now both freedom
and equality had been con-
ferred on India.

Criticism
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was one of the few critics of

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UK. Move Fails To Draw Support

Geneva, July 16.
The United Kingdom move at the trade confer-
ence here to depart from the "one country one
vote" principle in the forthcoming voting of
ITO conferences, and that extra weight be
given to the vote of larger countries, failed to
obtain the support of the Preparatory Com-
mittee today.

The original solution sug-
gested for voting in ITO con-
ferences by the New York draft
charter was that each member
should have one vote.

The United Kingdom's view
was that the provision was not
satisfactory as far as actual
operation of the ITO was con-
cerned, since some of the small-
est countries with the least
trade could outvote the big
countries with a great propor-
tion of world trade.

The United Kingdom thought
weight should be dependent on
external trade, national income,
population and the percentage
of trade to national income.

According to this scheme, the
United States, for instance,
would have 399 votes, the United
Kingdom 335, Russia 199,
India 194, Brazil 126 and Cuba
and Chile 115 votes.

Opposition

Strong opposition to the
United Kingdom's proposal
came from most of the smaller
countries, the Latin Americans
and others, who were insisting
on the "one country one
vote" rule being adhered to.

Australia rejected the United
Kingdom suggestion on the
grounds that the obligations
imposed on members would be
equally difficult to carry out for
participants and the benefits
would proportionately not be
different either.

Brazil cautioned that accept-
ance of the United Kingdom's
proposal would change the
minority into the majority be-
cause of the privileged vote.

France also opposed it on
the grounds that it would be
contrary to the spirit of the
Charter, while Cuba rejected

Caustic Comment

London, July 17.
In an editorial on Wednesday,
the "Manchester Guardian" com-
mented caustically on the his-
torical presentation and buildup
of the Egyptian case to the
United Nations.

Recalling that British troops
were "just in time to save Egypt
from a Mahdist eruption," the
paper said:
"So far from Britain 'muscling
in' on an Egyptian administra-
tion in the Sudan, it needed all
the skill of Lord Kitchener and
a contingent of British troops
serving with the Egyptian army
to get the Egyptian flag back in-
to the Sudan at all."

"It is not on historical con-
siderations that the Security
Council will judge the issue," the
Guardian added. "It will look
more to the future."
"But the curious and mislead-
ing Egyptian statements are not
put forward for nothing. It is a
sign that Nokrashy Pasha is by
no means confident of the case
he has put before the Security
Council."

"Nokrashy Pasha," concluded
the "Manchester Guardian,"
"must make up for the disastrous
harassment of Premier Clement
Attlee and Foreign Minister
Ernest Bevin by trying to blacken
retrospectively the faces of
Gladstone and Lord Kitchener. It
is not a promising beginning."
Associated Press.

NO PENSIONS INCREASE

Ottawa, July 16.
The House of Commons to-
day gave an 84-54 vote of
confidence to Prime Minister
Mackenzie King's adminis-
tration in its stand against in-
creased pensions for war
veterans, their widows and
dependants. The opposition
moved for a non-confidence
vote in the closing hours of
the session.

Mr. King accepted the
challenge, saying that the
government would be "glad to
accept defeat on the pen-
sions issue. Our obligation is
to balance means with ends
and to deal with the affairs
of the country in a responsible
fashion."—United Press.

There was a relapse into that
internecine warfare from which
Britain rescued it and he would
be surprised if other countries
did not intervene in that war-
fare either openly or secretly.

The bill was read a second
time, passed through the com-
mittee stage without amend-
ments, read a third time and
passed.—Reuter.

Jap Peace Treaty Talks Postponed

Washington, July 16.
The United States State Department has accepted
the British Commonwealth explanation that
August 19, the date announced earlier today
for the Japanese peace treaty conference, is
inconvenient.

The United States is expected to agree to a post-
ponement of the negotiations until sometime
in September. August 15 was not convenient
in the British view because it clashed with the
Commonwealth Conference to discuss the
Japanese peace treaty, due to meet at Can-
berra on August 26.

This view had already been
tendered informally to the State
Department by Australia and
New Zealand, as well as by
Britain, and India was expected
to follow suit.

It is reported from London
that the Foreign Office tonight
had described as "inconvenient"
the date of August 15 proposed
by the United States for an 11-
power conference on the Japan-
ese peace treaty. In an official
communiqué, the Foreign Office
said that the date would not be
convenient, as Britain had
already accepted an invitation
from the Australian Govern-
ment for a preliminary exchange
of views among members of the
Commonwealth to take place at
Canberra on August 26.

The Government, the com-
muniqué added, welcomed the
American proposal for an early
Conference, and hoped it would
therefore be possible to agree
with the other member states
of the Far Eastern Commission
on a date after the Canberra
meeting.

Reports are current here and
in London that Russia has
already registered strong
objections to the holding of the
proposed conference on August
15, though this was not men-
tioned in the State Department
announcement.

The alternative, it is stressed,
would have been to hold the
conference within the frame-
work of the Advisory Commis-
sion for the Far East set up in
Moscow in December, 1945, and
on which Russia, the United
States, China and Great Britain
have the right of veto.

The American invitation is
taken in Paris to mean that all
the eleven nations attending the
conference will have an equal
voice in preparing the peace
treaty, with no veto right.

There is speculation in official
French circles whether the
Soviet Union will accept, and,
in any case, it is expected that
Moscow may raise objections
because the conference was not
called within the Advisory Com-
mission framework.—Reuter.

The reports said that these
objections were registered when
Lieutenant General Walter
Bedell Smith, the United States
Ambassador in Moscow, dis-
cussed the matter with M.
Molotov, the Soviet Foreign
Minister, shortly after General
Bedell Smith had returned to
Moscow after a visit to
Washington recently.

M. Molotov is said to have
objected promptly and emphati-
cally, arguing that the Council
of Foreign Ministers should
handle the Japanese treaty, as
in the case of Europe.

General Bedell Smith is un-
derstood to have replied by
reiterating the views already
vigorously expressed by Mr.
Bevin that other countries had
taken an important part in the
Pacific war and must be repre-
sented.

The State Department an-
nouncement of the Conference
said:

"In view of the serious com-
mitments of the Foreign Minis-
ters of the Governments con-
cerned, it does not appear
practicable to the Government
of the United States to propose
that such a Conference be on
the Foreign Minister level, so
it is envisaged that it would
initially be composed of deputies
and experts."

It is understood that the
United States has already done
considerable preliminary work
towards drafting a tentative
pact. The Washington meet-
ing is likely to be confined large-

ly to agreement as to procedure
and establishment.
It is reported from a reliable
source that Britain will be re-
presented by Mr. Hector McNell,
the Under-Secretary of Foreign
Affairs, while the other coun-
tries are likely to be represented
by similar ranking deputies.

French Reaction
It is reported from Paris
that the United States Govern-
ment's invitation to an 11-power
conference to start work on a
peace treaty with Japan has
been received by the French
Government with great satisfac-
tion.
Particularly satisfactory is
the fact that the United States
issued the invitation directly
and on equal terms to the 11-
powers particularly interested
in the Pacific.
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Stinkwood Suite
For Royal Couple?
Capetown, July 17.
Capetown, is to give Princess
Elizabeth and Lieutenant Philip
Mountbatten a wedding present, it
was announced in Cape Town on
Wednesday.
The Mayor, Mr. A. B. Bloom-
berg, is opening a fund of a
shilling and upwards and every
contributor will have his name on
a parchment to go with the present.
The suggested gift is a stink-
wood suite but no final decision
has been taken.—Associated Press.

FRED DARLING
RETIRING
London, July 15.
Fred Darling, "the Wizard of
Beckhampton," is to retire on
grounds of ill-health.
Darling has been a sick man
for many months and it was
only his grim determination to
get Tudor Minstrel to the post
for the Derby which kept him
in harness for so long.
He has won 18 Classic races
during his career and trained
seven Derby winners.—Reuter.

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WOMEN'S JURY SERVICE Spreading Out The Burden

"The fact that women would become, if this Bill be enacted, eligible for Jury Service will be of great importance and assistance, because by that means the panel of jurors will be increased and, therefore, the burden—because it is often a considerable burden—of Jury Service will be more spread out throughout the community," said the Attorney-General as he moved the first reading of the Jury Amendment Ordinance, 1947, in Legislative Council yesterday.

Four new Bills were brought up for first reading at yesterday's session of the Council, which was presided over by Mr. D. M. Macdougall, CMG, the Officer Administering the Government.

Introducing the first Bill, the Verandahs and Balconies (In-closure for Office Accommodation) Ordinance 1947, the Attorney-General said the purpose of the Bill had already been explained in the Objects and Reasons.

It would be sufficient to emphasize that the Bill, if enacted, would have effect only up to December 31, 1951, also that the authorisation which the Director of Public Works would under the Bill be empowered to give would be merely for enclosing of verandahs and balconies over unenclosed Crown land and for any street for the sole purpose of producing extra office accommodation under present conditions.

The second Bill was the Larceny Amendment Ordinance 1947. The Attorney-General explained that at the present time the practice of using threatening letters to extort payment of money was unfortunately prevalent in the Colony.

Penalty Increased

Under section 46 of the Larceny Ordinance 1935, the felony is made punishable with imprisonment for life and in the case of males, corporal punishment, if any person utters, knowing the contents thereof, any letter demanding property with menace.

Experience has shown, said Mr. Griffin, that in the prosecution of offenders there is difficulty in proving that a person uttering a threatening letter had done so with knowledge of its contents. The purpose of the Bill before Council was, by clause 3, to add a section which would make the possession of a threatening letter an offence, and which would put the onus on the person having the threatening letter to show that he had it without intent to utter such letter.

The opportunity had also been taken to provide for an increase of penalty where there was proof of conspiracy or attempt to utter a letter threatening persons with the idea of taking money by such threat.

Flogging

The third Bill was the Magistrates Amendment Ordinance 1947, in respect of which the Attorney-General said:

"Section 89 of the Magistrates Ordinance 1932 lists a number of offences in regard to which magistrates are empowered upon conviction for such offence to order corporal punishment, in addition to other punishments provided for such offences."

"It is, however, the policy in the United Kingdom and in other Colonial territories pro-

gressively to remove or reduce flogging as a penalty for criminal offences. In line with this policy, this Bill proposes to repeal section 89 of the Magistrates Ordinance 1932, to remove from magistrates the power of imposing corporal punishment in the manner I have described, and to replace section 89 by a provision which will give to magistrates the power to impose corporal punishment on male adult offenders in only one class of offence, the offence popularly known in the present prevalence of crime as snatching from the person of women or child."

"The Bill on enactment will, of course, make no change in the power of magistrates to impose corporal punishment on juvenile offenders."

"Similarly no change will be made in the power of the Supreme Court for trial of offences on indictment to impose corporal punishment in cases where the necessity appears to be shown."

Jury Bill

The fourth and last Bill was the Jury Amendment Ordinance 1947, introducing which the Attorney-General said:

"It has been mentioned in the Objects and Reasons accompanying the Bill that Government received a resolution unanimously adopted at a public meeting held on March 19 this year, which was attended by representatives of many sections of the women of this Colony. The resolution reads as follows:

"That this meeting consisting of women representing different sections of the Colony's community asks the Government to consider the introduction of legislation giving to women the privilege and obligation of jury service."

"The main purpose of this Bill is to give legislative effect to such resolution. This is simply done because, as indicated by sections 2 and 3 of the Bill, it is necessary only to make minor amendments to sections 2 and 3 of the Jury Ordinance in order to make it clear that women as well as men may serve on juries in this Colony."

"Thus, upon the passing of this Bill, the position as regards obligation for jury service of women in this Colony will be similar to that which exists in the United Kingdom and has existed since 1919."

"The remainder of the Bill is, as fully explained in the Objects and Reasons, to effect amendments which are in a number of cases incidental or consequential upon the amendment of the Ordinance for the main purpose which I have described."

Larger Panel

"I would note especially that amendment is to be made whereby it will be possible both as regards men and women heretofore to add to the jury list without the necessity for waiting for the lapse of a full year between the dates of settlement of the jury list."

"In conclusion, I would remark that it must be obvious to Honour-

"PERMANENTISED"

Washington, July 11. The United States is putting its atom bomb factory on a permanent basis. This firm footnote to the long and thus far fruitless effort to set up world controls over nuclear energy came to light Wednesday in an Atomic Energy Commission announcement of plans to "permanentise" and effectively modernise "the war-built town of Los Alamos, New Mexico."

The first atom bomb was made there and tested at Alamogordo two years ago. —Associated Press.

Signalman Discharged

R. N. Davies, signalman of H.M.S. "Tamar," was charged before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday with common assault. He was discharged through insufficient evidence.

The complainant, Pang Ngau, said that at about 1 a.m. on July 10 at the junction of Johnston and Anton Road the defendant grabbed hold of his arm and spoke to him in English. He did not understand what was said and was then struck with a metal instrument by the defendant. With the defendant at the time was another European who was busily striking a rickshaw coolie, said Pang.

Austin Road Case

The afternoon of July 28 was fixed by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday for hearing of Lower Court proceedings against Victor John Brown and James Andrew Miller on the charge of assault and robbery at Austin Road on May 22.

Brown (who has been in hospital for some time suffering from a gangrenous foot and who was brought into Court yesterday on a stretcher) and Miller, both of 45 Commando, are charged with robbing Leung Kim-sheung of a watch, two "Parker 51" fountain pens, and \$63 in cash, in Austin Road near Gun Club Hill, and of assaulting Leung. DS1 J. M. Forrest is in charge of the case for the prosecution.

Murder Charge

Applying for a date to be fixed for the commencement of criminal proceedings against Yuen Chu on the charge of murder and attempted murder, DS1 C. Dowman informed Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday that he had received no instructions yet as to whether or not Crown Counsel would be conducting the proceedings in the Lower Court.

Yuen is charged with the murder of 70-year-old Lo Yuk and the attempted murder of his 43-year-old concubine, Li Kan-tai, at 15 Shek Kip Mei Street, second floor, on June 2.

His Worship fixed July 28 and 29 for hearing of evidence.

SPITTERS FINED

For spitting in a place other than that authorized, 40 Chinese were arraigned before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday and fined \$20 each or two days. The Health Department prosecuted.

Kong Wai-man, 20, spinster, living at 30 Woosung Street, 2nd floor, fell over the verandah of the 1st floor of the Central Boarding House at 44 Woosung Street at 3.15 a.m. She received serious injuries to her arms and legs and her condition, on admission to Hospital, was very critical. She was also stated to be suffering from Lysol and opium poisoning.

able Members that the fact that women would become, if this Bill be enacted, eligible for jury service will be of great importance and assistance, because by that means the panel of jurors will be increased and, therefore, the burden—because it is often a considerable burden—of jury service will be more spread out throughout the community."

The Colonial Secretary seconded all four Bills, which were unanimously carried.

At the same session, the Trade Marks (Registration) Ordinance 1947, passed its second and third reading and became law.

Council adjourned to Thursday, July 31.

P.C. CHARGED

Police constable Cheng Kwong, 26, appeared before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday charged with demanding with menace the sum of \$100 from Wong Mei-lai, 20-year-old married woman, at 722 Nathan Rd., second floor, on July 15. On the application of S/I Howarth, accused was remanded for seven days, with bail fixed at \$10,000 cash.

Mrs. N. Hillyer was the complainant yesterday when Lam Sui, 17, no fixed abode, was charged before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central with having snatched a bag of cakes. He was ordered to be expelled. Defendant was arrested by a Chinese and handed over to P.C. 2682.

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INDEPENDENCE IN INDIA

After August 15 next all British responsibility for the Government of India ceases. The King surrenders his title of Emperor of India, suzerainty over the Indian States ends and the treaties with them lapse. In place of what has been "British India" two new Dominions—the one to be known as India, the other as Pakistan—will be set up. Such are the outstanding provisions of the Indian Independence Bill, which passed its third reading in the House of Commons on Tuesday, is being rushed through the House of Lords and is to become law this morning. It may be submitted with some degree of truth that not even the British Government statement of June 3 prepared the Empire for so swift a transfer of power. One of the Constituent Assemblies which are to frame the constitutions for the new Dominions and act temporarily as their Governments has not yet come into existence. The limits of the territories over which the new Governments will rule have yet to be exactly determined. Negotiations for the division of the material assets held by the Central Government, which is now to pass away, have scarcely begun. Emphasising the thorough nature of the change the Secretary of State and the India Office disappear, and negotiations in the future will be conducted through the newly-named Commonwealth Relations Office. The title of Viceroy will be dropped, but Viscount Mountbatten will act as Governor-General for India and Mr. Jinnah becomes the first Governor-General of the new Dominion of Pakistan. Though these offices remain they are shorn of most of their powers. The special responsibilities of the Governor-General, including that for maintaining law and order, go to a stroke. The ending of paramountcy over the Indian States, which are outside British India, leaves them free to decide their own destiny. Some of the larger already look to independence for themselves, but it is to the interest of India as a whole that it should be made possible for them to work with and become part of one or other of the two Dominions. It is regrettable that unity has not proved to be possible. To split India into many fragments must be to destroy the whole value of the freedom that is being conferred. There must therefore be misgivings as to the future, but all parties in Great Britain have for long looked forward to a self-governing India, and the transfer of what authority still remains as the third reading in the House of Commons demonstrated, is being made with good will, and with the sincere hope that the two new Dominions will take and retain their due position in the British Commonwealth. That they must decide for themselves, since the very title of "Indian Independence Bill" emphasises their right to secede if they so desire. For Great Britain a great chapter in the history of her relations with an alien people in another continent is closing. We can look back upon it not without pride. A new chapter opens in which every vestige of British rule is swept away. It is for Indians to make this dawning era one of peace, ordered rule and national prosperity. If they succeed the day may come when a union of all the Indian peoples may again be possible.

ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS

Jerusalem, July 16. About 4,000 Jewish illegal immigrants, who left Marseilles on Sunday aboard the "President Garibaldi" are prepared to approach the Palestine coast in an attempt to run the British blockade, well-informed Jewish sources said tonight. The ship, left Marseilles with clearance papers for Colombia, it is said, after.

Kai Tak Ranks High As An International Airport

By Margaret Bradbury

When the long-awaited civil staff of new controllers from England arrive at Kai Tak airport shortly, they will take over what is now one of the busiest and most important airbases in the East.

Kai Tak, which has been a military cum civil transit station for several months, will then revert completely to its pre-war status as a civilian airport.

Arrivals and departure figures of international aircraft and passengers now show that Kai Tak ranks with Calcutta, Singapore and Shanghai as a trans-world airport. An average of 24 airplanes a day land and take off from its runways while 12 airlines operate services and connections to all parts of the globe. British, American, French, Chinese, Norwegian, Filipino and Siamese, with visits also from Dutch airlines. The Far East Flying School also operates its Stinson Sentinel

— landing is not often made on one owing to the fact that the approach is towards the mountains. Both are unable however for "take-offs".

At the moment, the civil side of Kai Tak is run on an efficient, but short-staffed basis of about 30 trained personnel who are part of Government's Civil Aviation Section. These people are considerably overworked, and have been ever since the R.A.F. relinquished part control of the airport owing to the loss of its own personnel through demobilisation or home leave.

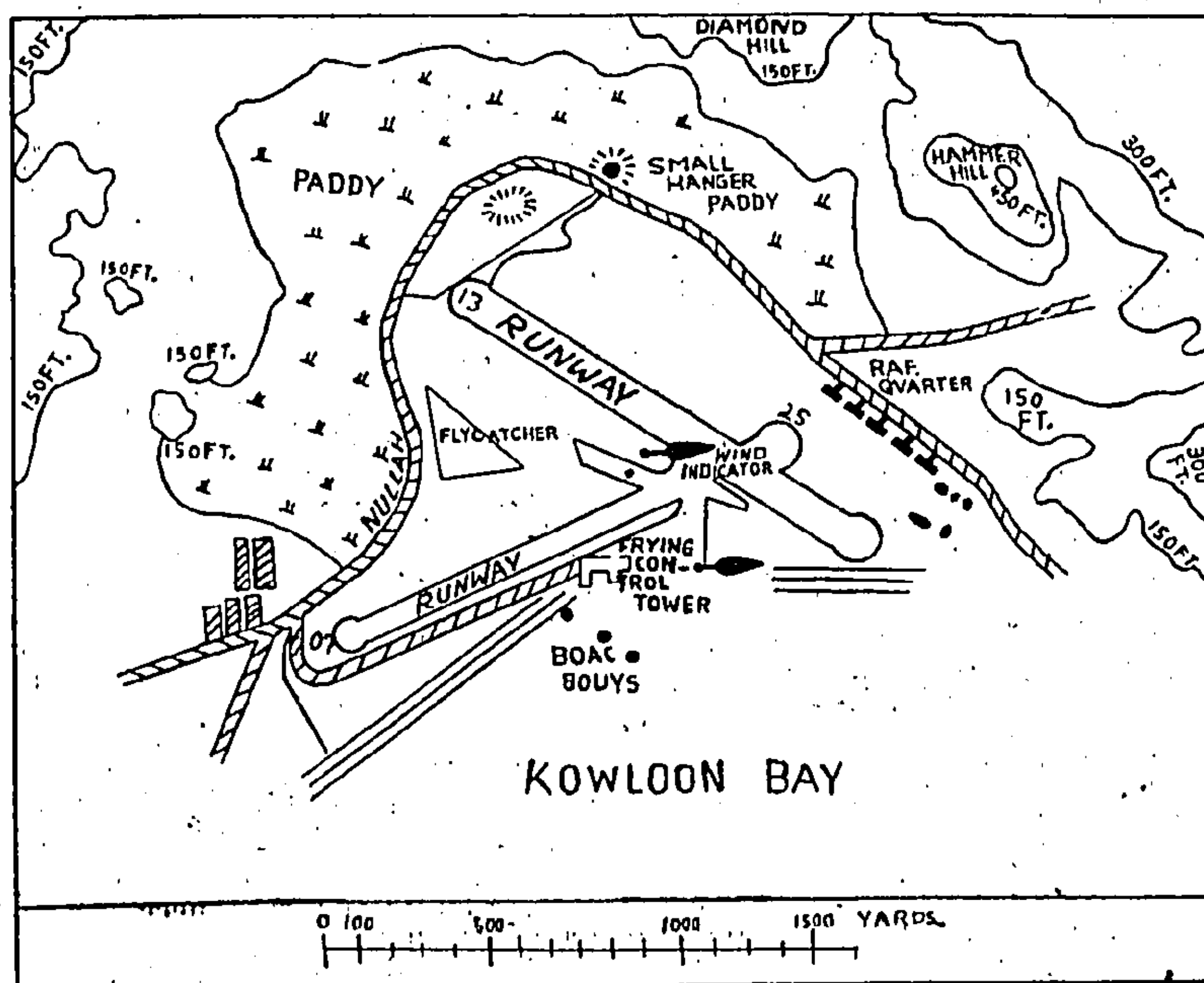
Within the last few months several improvements have been made at Kai Tak for control of the arrival and departure of civil passengers. Mainly these include better customs and medical facilities in the shape of a modern one-storey Terminal building complete with buffet operated by the Dairy Farm and managed by

engineer bomber aircraft which ran out of fuel over the airport after dark recently with the aid of several motor car headlights directed on to the runway. As an emergency measure, this was undoubtedly a successful inspiration.

One problem which is disturbing the peace of civil aircraft operators at Kai Tak is the increasing number of thefts and pilfering which they declare is occurring daily.

Pilfering

Aviation companies are frequently losing material which it is difficult to replace locally, and entails long waits for new orders to arrive from abroad. The manager of one company said yesterday: "These robbers are bands of Chinese who openly trespass on the airfield although it is a protected area. Naturally the individual airlines



Kai Tak and its runways.

Training planes from Kai Tak as well as do the owners of a few private planes.

It is interesting to note that when coming in to land at Kai Tak, all aircraft must approach at a height of not less than 4,200 feet. This is the safety height laid down by the authorities to ensure that the aircraft clear Lan Tau Peak, Tai Mo Shan and the surrounding hills. Actually, a leeway of 1,000 feet is made in this calculation to allow for altitude meter figures being incorrect, or bad weather.

Two Runways

Although the airport possesses two runways — one 1,562 yards long and the other 1,685 yards,

cheery Mrs. Gellatly, wife of the Government Health official. The cufe, which provides refreshments from 6 am each morning until 8 p.m., expects shortly to have a liquor licence granted.

Night Landing

In an interview with Kai Tak's station manager yesterday I inquired about the future possibility of night landing at the airport. This, he said, was not likely to happen because of Kai Tak's dangerous approach and also the lack of night landing facilities.

In spite of these difficulties, however, it is to the credit of the R.A.F. that they were able to bring in an American four

who have their establishments on the airport provide their own watchmen, but these are powerless against the gangs of robbers, because they are not armed."

Before the civil authorities took over the main part of the airport, the R.A.F. and Naval Services maintained armed patrols of guards, but the civil airline guards are not permitted to possess firearms.

But I was told: "Several air company officials have objected to the Police about this as it is proving utterly impossible to protect property. The bandits who came along in groups in broad daylight, merely intimidate the guards by giving them about their lack of arms and then proceed to remove whatever property they can carry."

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"Stop talking in your sleep, Gregory—You're not in the Senate now!"

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

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A PHANTOM CROSS-RUFF

EVERY ONCE in a while a new point-stealing device is sprung by a smart player. Those who learn about it, and remember it, may put it into the kit of their seldom-used tools and watch for a chance to try it themselves. One of these can on rare occasions be employed effectively when you know there is a good suit fit between yourself and your partner. It consists of the bidding of another suit, in which you have no length, to make the defenders think you have a cross-ruff situation, so they may lead a trump right up your alley.

S K Q J 7 3
H 4
D Q 9
C A Q J 10 9
S 10 4 2
H A Q 5 2
D K 8 6 5
C 7 5

S A 8 5
H 10 8 7
D A 4 3
C K 6 4 2
(Dealer: North North-South vulnerable.)

North	East	South	West
1 S	Pass	2 C	Pass
2 H	Pass	3 S	Pass
4 NT	Pass	5 H	Pass
6 NT	Pass	6 D	Pass
6 S			

North on this deal in a duplicate tournament was one of the most imaginative of bidders. Morgan Howard, formerly of New York and Pittsburgh and now of California. As soon as he heard his partner's club response, he realized that it would be to his advantage to head off a lead of either red suit. This

he could do by bidding hearts probably, making it look like a cross-ruff situation if the deal ultimately landed in spades, as it did.

East fell into the trap and decided the best way to cut down cross-ruffing was to lead a trump, his 9. Mr. Howard ran five consecutive spades, then five clubs, watching the discards all the way. He reckoned that, if the holder of the heart A also had the diamond K and kept it guarded, he could complete his contract with a throw-in play. To the eleven trick he led his heart. Sure enough, West with the singleton A now had to win it. Then he had to pitch away from his diamond K-S into the combination tenace of the doubleton A in dummy and the doubleton Q in the closed hand, giving Mr. Howard the last two tricks. You will note that a red suit lead would set the contract, which therefore should be credited to the crafty heart bid.

Tomorrow's Problem

S A 9 7 5
H 6 5 3 2
D 9 5
C A 7 3
S Q J 10 6
H J 10 7 4
D K 10 2
C 2

S K
H A
D Q J 7 6 4
C Q J 10 9 6 5
(Dealer: South North-South vulnerable.)

How should South play for 4- Clubs here after West leads the heart J?

100 Years Ago Today

(From the files of the "China Mail.")

LOVE AND HATE—Hate is a thankless thing. So let us only hate hatred; and once give love play, we will fall in love with a unicorn. Ah! the easiest way is the best, and to hate a man must be hard. Love is a delight, but hate is a torment. And haters are thumb-screws, Scotch-boots, and Spanish Inquisitions to themselves. In five words, he who hates is a fool.

The "China Mail" arrived here yesterday afternoon bringing intelligence to the 23rd ultimo. The most important news is an unfortunate affair at Macao which occurred on the 8th ult. through the indiscretion and bigotry of a Protestant missionary from Hong Kong on a visit there. A short extract and particulars will be found among our selections next week. "Pinang Gazette," July 2.

A native policeman was found impossible in the road on the night of the 12th, and taken to the hospital where he shortly expired. As it appeared that he had died from the effects of drink, he was buried the following day. But it afterward came out that two coolies had been seen fighting with the man, in consequence of

New Note To Rumania

London, July 16.

A Foreign Office spokesman said today that the British Government is considering further measures in connection with the internal situation in Rumania.

The spokesman said the Foreign Office had already decided to dispatch a new note to the Rumanian Government, answering Rumanian allegations of Anglo-American interference into Rumanian legislation and administrative measures.

This allegation was included in the Rumanian note just received in London.

While Rumanian explanations of the arrests in Bucharest last June were still lacking, the Foreign Office received fresh reports indicating that a number of Rumanian Opposition personalities were under house arrest.

London, however, has received no confirmation of the reported arrest of the former Rumanian Prime Minister and Peasant Leader, M. Julius Maniu, M. Corneliu Blandu, London, spokesman of M. Maniu's Rumanian National Peasant Party, said M. Maniu's arrest, if confirmed, was probably connected with an appeal from the peasant leader to the Western powers asking them to sever political and economical relations with the present regime in Rumania. United Press.

which the body was disinterred, an Inquest held, and a verdict of "Manlaughter" returned against parties unknown.

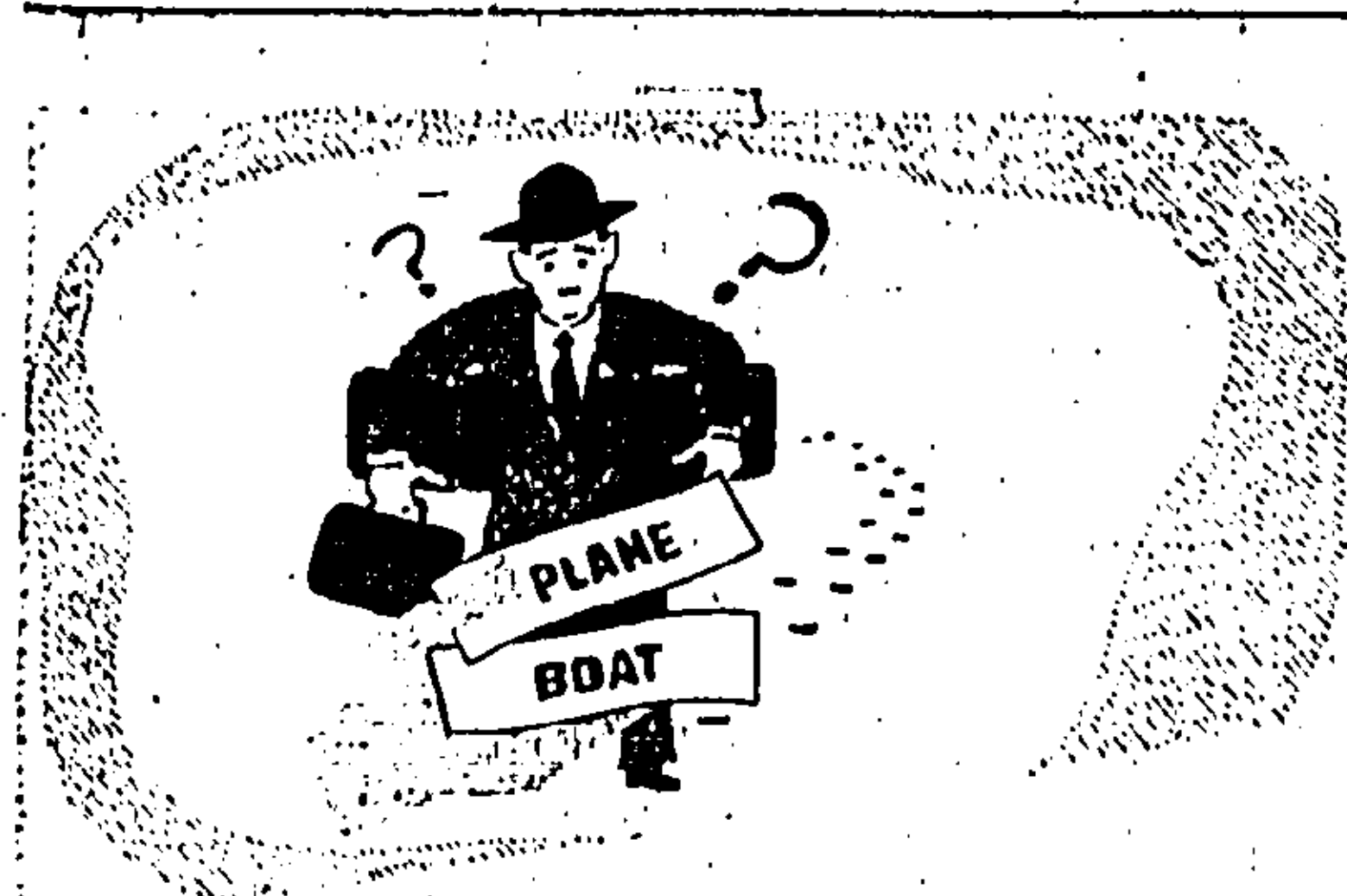
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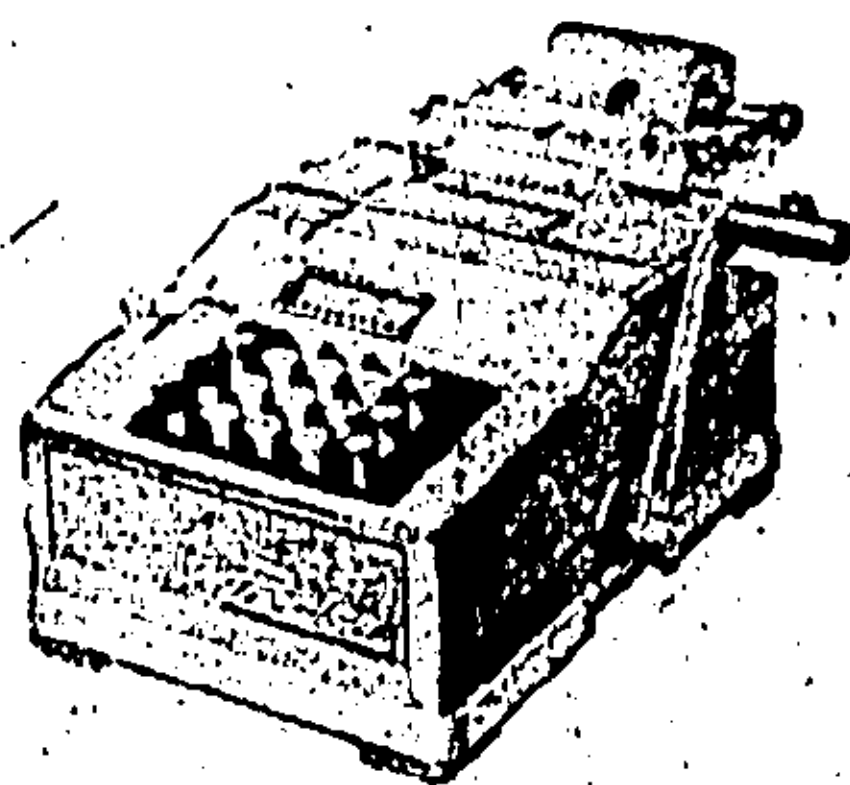
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French Queries Put Before EECC

Paris, July 15.
An eight-point economic questionnaire designed to give facts and figures to the European Economic Cooperation Committee was presented to the Committee's first session at the French Foreign Office today.

Drawn up by the French planning commissariat, the questionnaire was to indicate how many dollars the participating 16 European nations would need to put their economies in running order, probably over a four-year period until 1950.

The eight major headings in the French questionnaire were:
1. Evaluation of wartime destruction and economic damage.

2. What efforts each country has already made to surmount its prime damages and towards reconstructing its shattered economy.

3. What economic aid each country has granted or can grant to other European nations to hasten their recoveries.

4. What reconstruction efforts each country plans for the four years 1947-50.

5. A list of deficits and surpluses in each country for foodstuffs and raw materials.

6. A similar list for heavy equipment and industrial machinery.

7. An analysis of each country's balance of payments for the four years. (For the years after 1947 this would be an expectation based on the defined rate of reconstruction.)

8. Contributions of important economic elements like manpower, bank credits and processing facilities which each country can make available to other European nations.

The French spokesman said the questions would be whittled down during tomorrow's discussion to arrive at "an urgent summary of the main economic factors of European reconstruction."

The all-powerful five-nation Executive Committee met briefly tonight in the Quai d'Orsay to establish a working timetable for the Coordination Committee and four technical committees on foodstuffs, steel, power and transport.

German Foreign Trade

Washington, July 16.

The U.S. War Department today announced a joint Anglo-American plan to encourage foreign business men to visit Germany to rebuild foreign trade.

The U.S. Army said that visits of businessmen will contribute to improving the conditions in Germany and help relieve American and British tax-payers of the cost of sending food and essential raw material to bolster the German economy.

It said that trade resulting from contacts with German exporters will enable Germany to revive and aid world economic reconstruction.

Joint United States and United Kingdom economic agencies issued a buyer's guide published in Berlin as an aid to businessmen applying for negotiation of commercial export contracts.—United Press.

U.S. Loan Withdrawals

Washington, July 16.

Britain has withdrawn another \$100,000,000 of the United States loan, the Treasury records showed today.

This brings the total withdrawals from the \$33,750,000,000 loan to \$23,000,000,000. The latest withdrawal indicates a further increase in the spending of British spending on the credit.

It has been originally planned not to make any new withdrawals until early next month. Today's draft has increased the fear here that the whole line of credits will have vanished before the middle of next year.—Reuter.

committees on foodstuffs, steel, power and transport.
Today's meeting opened shortly after ten a.m. with Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin in the chair. Mr. Bevin said he had come only to "wish the delegates luck."

He said he was sure the "spirit of cooperation manifested at the conference which has just ended will be continued here in this and in other committees."

The French Foreign Minister, M. Bidault, seconded Mr. Bevin's sentiment, calling attention to the "arduous task" which lay before them. M. Bidault expressed confidence that the Cooperation Committee would "overcome all difficulties to succeed in the task" of drawing up an economic blueprint for European reconstruction for submission to the United States.

The British and French Foreign Ministers then left the meeting for a private ten-minute chat in M. Bidault's office and after that Mr. Bevin and his party left the Quai d'Orsay to fly back to London.—United Press.

GOVT. RESHUFFLE EXPECTED

London, July 16.
The Government reshuffle rendered necessary by the transfer of power to India is expected to result in the appointment of the Under Secretary of State for India, Mr. Arthur Henderson, to the post of Minister of State and a new line-up of other Commonwealth Relations portfolios.

The new position, such quarters think, will be as follows:
First, the Commonwealth Relations Secretary of State, Lord Addison—who is the Government leader in the House of Lords—as the supreme link between Britain and her Commonwealth partners.

Second, Lord Listowel as Secretary of State for Burma alone.

Third, Mr. Henderson as Minister of State, presenting a British link with the Dominions of India and Pakistan and also acting as Lord Listowel's counterpart on Burma matters in the House of Commons.

Fourth, Mr. Arthur Bottomley, in his present post of Commonwealth Relations Under Secretary of State.

It is pointed out that the arrangement of Mr. Henderson providing the link for India and Burma presents no constitutional difficulty, as a Minister of State can act for any portfolio, and there is a precedent in the case of Mr. Hector McNell, who is ordinarily the second Foreign Minister to the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Bevin, but on occasion he answers for various other portfolios.

No Difficulty

In view of the fact that the Secretaryship of State for Burma and the Burma Office will only exist for a limited time, the continuation of Lord Listowel in this post would seem much more probable than the appointment of a new Minister, strange to the task.

Equally, Mr. Henderson, already linked intimately with the Burma picture, would have no difficulty in combining this work in the House of Commons with his job of providing liaison between the two Dominions of India and Pakistan.

As in Lord Listowel's case, there would, it is thought, be little object in appointing a fresh and untried Under Secretary of State for Burma in view of the early end of that portfolio.—Reuter.

Washington, July 17.
Radio-telephone service between the United States and the Netherlands East Indies was restored today for the first time since March 1942 when the Japanese invaded the islands.—Associated Press.

GENERAL NOW A SERGEANT

Denver, Colo., July 16.
Former Brig-Gen. Harold H. Richardson, who served in China when attached to General Marshall's headquarters in 1946, said he went back into the Army as a Master Sergeant because "I like the Army."

After 20 years' Army service covering two world wars, Richardson enlisted in the regular army after trying civilian life for several months.—United Press.

Lady Iris Charges Withdrawn

Washington, July 17.
The \$185 worth of worthless checks given by Lady Iris Mountbatten (Iris Mountbatten O'Malley) 27, were covered by her attorney today and all charges against the cousin of King George VI are expected to be dropped.

Her counsel, Thomas G. Carney, paid the money to Louis M. Denit, the lawyer for a dress shop at which the blonde peeress gave the checks.

Mrs. Wilhelmina Adams, owner of the shop, had said she would drop the complaints against Lady Iris upon the payment of the money.

Lady Iris, redish-blond great granddaughter of Queen Victoria, told the New York Police she did not know it was an offense to issue a check without sufficient funds in the bank to cover it and that in England the bank would communicate with the person writing the check and direct that it be covered.—Associated Press.

Jewish Terrorists Active

Jerusalem, July 17.

At least a dozen British soldiers were wounded, some seriously, in the detonation of two road mines on the outskirts of Jerusalem on Wednesday night.

One soldier was killed and four others were wounded earlier in three road mine blasts near Petah Tikvah.

The explosions outside Jerusalem occurred almost simultaneously with a statement delivered to Jerusalem newspapers by Irqun Zvai Leumi, Jewish underground organization in which the resistance group "took the responsibility for acts committed this evening which were intended to relieve Nathanya from the siege."

Nathanya, the Palestine diamond centre, and the surrounding area have been put under military rule to facilitate search for two kidnapped British sergeants held as hostages for three condemned members of the Irqun Zvai Leumi.—Associated Press.

Hit A Mine

Jerusalem, July 16.
Three British soldiers were injured today when their jeep hit a mine planted by Jewish extremists, shortly after residents of Nathanya were given a three-hour respite from the house arrest imposed by martial law.

The respite came to let the people get out to buy food. There were no immediate details on the newest extremist outrage. The jeep hit the mine on the Jaffa-Haifa highway.

Meanwhile, soldiers completed their searching of the controlled area without finding the two British sergeants whose kidnapping had resulted in the declaration of martial law.

The searchers detained 19 persons, including one woman, as suspected terrorists and one building suspected of containing a cache of weapons belonging to the Jewish underground was demolished.—United Press.

COURTSHIP BY POST

Malden, Mass., July 16.
A pretty Scottish girl and an American engineer who corresponded for months but never met until a fortnight ago are on their honeymoon today in New England.

Isabella Linton, 19, of Edinburg, and William Spragg were married on Monday at a ceremony in the local YMCA.

The couple met for the first time two weeks ago when Isabella arrived in the United States in preparation for the wedding.—Associated Press.

SOVIET SKIPPER CAUTIONED

Shanghai, July 17.
The Chinese authorities today decided to permit the Soviet repatriation steamer, "Ilych" to leave for Vladivostok despite its alleged failure to comply with Chinese Maritime requirements.

One Chinese report claimed that the Foreign Ministry instructed the Shanghai authorities to permit the ship's departure after cautioning the Russian skipper to comply with Chinese regulations in the next trip.—United Press.



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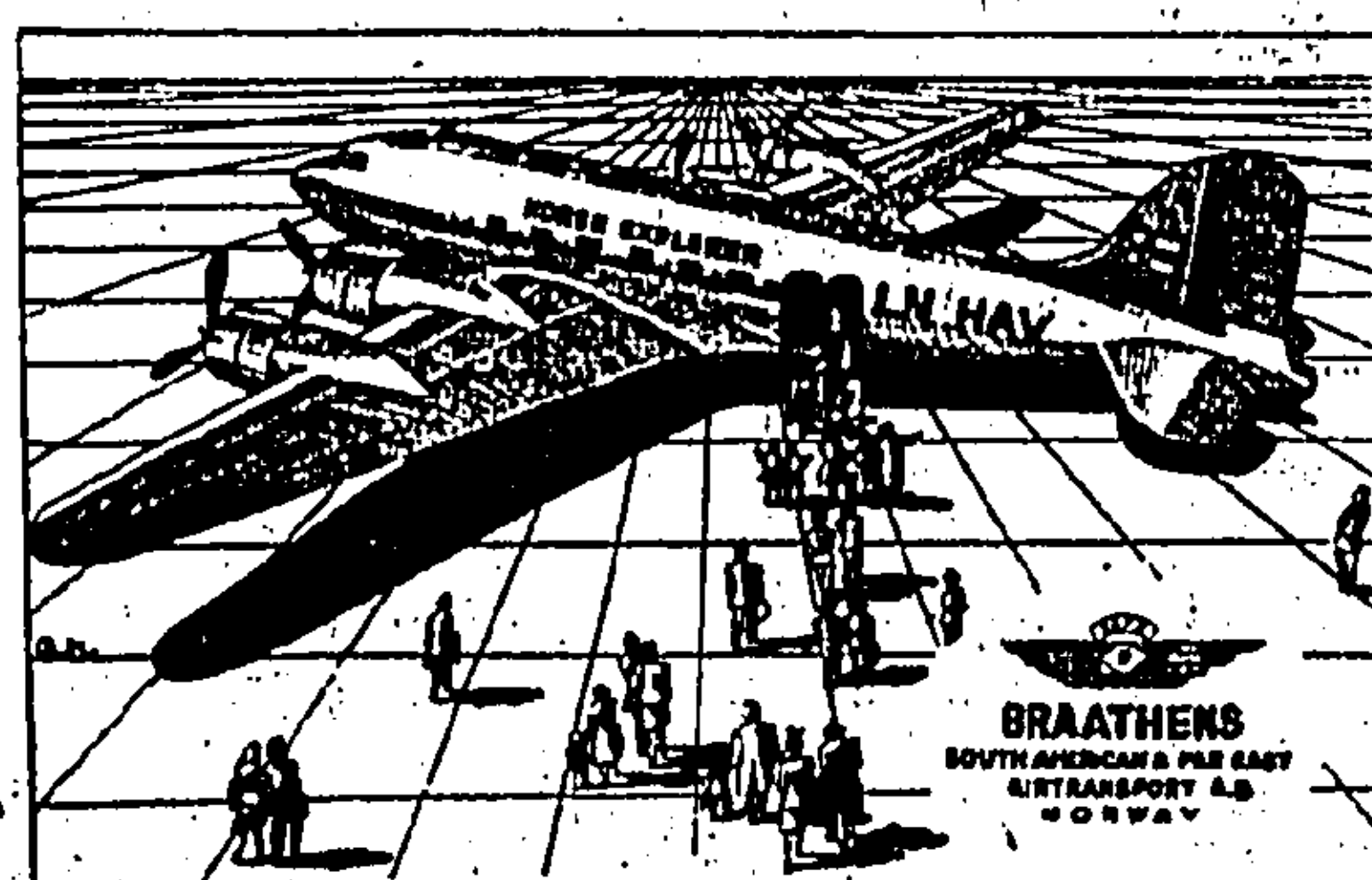
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Shamshuipo Dispensary Case

Recommendation Of Magistrate

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With the above remarks, Mr. W. H. Latimer yesterday discharged Dr. Lim Ek-Quee on the charge of obtaining a bribe of \$3 from Wong Yau-shing on May 22 at the Shamshuipo Public Dispensary.

His Worship recommended that the doctor should be dealt with departmentally as his action was a breach of the terms of his employment which stipulated that "in no circumstances is any member of the staff permitted to receive any gratuity or present from a patient" and that he was not to indulge in private practice.

In his final submissions, Mr. Martins da Silva, for Mr. Lim, said that a Police agent (an Wong Yau-shing admitted himself to be), in order to gain the approbation of such an efficient officer as Mr. Shattain, would "fall over himself" to get a case. He reminded His Worship of

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After the Doctor had written out a prescription for Wong, went on witness, she asked him to sign the certificate. While he was doing so, Wong asked to be given a leave certificate stating, at the same time, that he was a Government servant.

The Doctor refused on the ground that there was nothing wrong with him and that he was "only lazy." When Wong insisted on having one, the Doctor told him to apply to the Kowloon Hospital for one, adding at the same time that if he did not feel well in the evening he was to tell his employer.

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Defence counsel further submitted that it was not necessary to believe that the defence's story was true in all respects but that it might reasonably be true. Mr. da Silva contended that only disciplinary action should have been taken against the defendant in terms of the notice produced by the prosecution.

In asking for the acquittal of Dr. Lim, on the ground of insufficient evidence, Mr. da Silva pointed out that a conviction would be a "legal impossibility" on the evidence adduced by the prosecution.

On Trial For Career
He reminded His Worship that Dr. Lim was a professional man "on trial not only for his liberty but for his very career," and that consideration should be given to every aspect of the case. Mr. da Silva went on to draw the analogy of an officer of the Legal Department drawing up an agreement for a private party for a monetary consideration. That officer, said Mr. da Silva, would not be charged with accepting a bribe but would have to be dealt with departmentally for a breach of his terms of employment.

Yesterday's proceedings commenced with the cross-examination of Leung Sam by Mr. F. W. Shattain, S.P. She said that she went to the dispensary at about 11 a.m. on May 22 and received a ticket to see the Doctor not long after her arrival.

Witness denied that she saw the Doctor after the arrival of DSI V. M. Morrison and said that she saw him while she was waiting for her prescription to be filled. She did not know whether the last ticket issued for day was numbered 77 but agreed with Mr. Shattain that here was numbered 71.

She was permitted to see the Doctor before her turn, said witness, because she told the man outside the Doctor's door that she was feeling ill. Witness denied that her ticket was issued to her under the instructions and supervision of DSI Morrison.

SHIP MOVEMENTS

San Francisco, July 17.
"Radcliffe Victory" departed July 16 for Japan.
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attached to the Dispensary, declared that she had been in Government employ for the past 11 years and was transferred to her present position in February 1946.

"Only Lazy"

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EUROPEAN'S TORTURE STORY

Emil Landau's Evidence At Crimes Trial

Moscow Trade Talks

Moscow, July 16.
A party of about eight members of the British trade delegation, who have been discussing Anglo-Soviet trade arrangements in Moscow, left here by plane today, their work completed.
Sir Harold Wilson, Under Secretary for Overseas Trade, and the rest of the Mission, are staying on.
Well-informed circles, personally in touch with the British delegation, thought it possible tonight that a new Anglo-Soviet trade agreement would be announced by the weekend or next Monday at the latest.
No details of the latest offers on either side have so far been disclosed. The Mission has been in Moscow since June 20.
Contracts for supplies of Russian grain, timber and canned fish have been worked out. The chances of an agreement have hinged on a Soviet request for a revision of the 1941 credit agreement for civil supplies to Russia, involving a reduction of interest and lengthening the term of the agreement. — Reuter.

COTTON'S TITLE

Chantilly, July 16.
Henry Cotton retained his French Open golf championship here today when he finished with an aggregate of 285 for 72 holes. He had rounds of 68, 71, 73 and 73.
John Knipe, Cotton's assistant at Monte Carlo, finished second with a total of 288, and P. Canale, of France, was third with 289. — Reuter.

Two more games in the First Round of the Open Singles Championship were decided at the Kewloon Bowling Green Club yesterday when C. Dowman beat K. M. Rumjahn by the narrow margin of two shots (21-19), and J. S. Landolt defeated E. F. Pope by 21 shots to 12.

Beaten With Dog Leash

In an affidavit which was read out before No. 7 War Crimes Court yesterday at the trial of four Japanese Gendarmes, Emil Landau of the Parisian Grill told how he was subjected to different forms of torture while detained at the Central Police Station and how he was forced to witness the water torture of his wife, who was brought in front of him in a scantily clad condition.
The gendarmes on trial are Captain Ushiyama Yukio, Sgt. Major Ishiyama Kakue, Sgt. Major Morino Sakuzo and Sgt. Major Matsuyama Hiroshi. They are charged with the ill-treatment of civilians in custody at the Western Kempeitai Headquarters (Central Police Station), causing death to some and physical sufferings to others.

In her affidavit, which was read out by Major Lai, Miss Dorothy Lee deposed that she was arrested on Feb. 11, 1943, in Queen's Road Central.
She was taken to the Central Police Station and brought before a Japanese named Ishi, who struck her across the face. She was later taken to a torture room and interrogated regarding the activities of Dr. Se'wyn Clarke. Her spectacles were taken away and she had also to remove her outer garments.
Throughout her interrogation, she was beaten with a truncheon about the shoulders, waist, back, knees and groin. When she failed to give satisfactory answers, she was tied up with her wrists behind her back and hoisted into the air. She was further questioned and beaten while in this position.
She was eventually released on Mar. 13, 1943. Parcels of clothing and food which had been sent to her while she was detained at Central Police Station were never received by her.

Emil Landau

Ko Ting-fong, in a statement read out in Court, said that he was arrested and taken to the Central Police Station on Feb. 13, 1942. He was "judged" by a Gendarme named Suzuki and beaten with a leather belt and kicked by Ishiyama. Ko further said that he was given the water torture.

He was detained for 98 days, during which he was periodically beaten and kicked by Ishiyama.

Emil Landau, proprietor of the Parisian Grill in December,

BRITAIN TO CUT IMPORTS?

London, July 17.
A highly placed Government source said on Wednesday there is a "possibility" that Britain will be compelled to cut her imports in December if the United States delays Congressional consideration of the Marshall plan until spring.
By December, at the present rate of expenditure, Britain's dollar loan from America will be near exhaustion, the source said. — Associated Press.

U.S. Tennis Victories

Paris, July 16.
The American girl players have all won their first matches in the French tennis championships. Here are the results of the main matches:
Women's singles: Miss Osborne (U.S.A.) beat Mrs. Muller (South Africa) 6-0, 4-6, 6-3. Miss Brough (U.S.A.) beat Mrs. Peterdy (Hungary) 6-1, 4-6, 6-4. Miss Manfreid (Italy) beat Miss Sorman (Belgium) 6-2, 1-6, 6-0. Mrs. Korinczy (Hungary) beat Mrs. Straubova (Czechoslovakia) 6-1, 4-6, 6-3.
Women's doubles: Mrs. Mathieu and Miss Weivers beat Miss Barber and Mrs. Claude 6-0, 6-0. Miss J. Cannon and Miss Quentier beat Miss de Boman and Miss J. Fav 6-2, 8-6. Mrs. Anouette and Mrs. Charpenel beat Miss Carria and Miss Marcellin 6-3, 6-4.
Men's singles: Pellizer (France) beat G. L. Paish (Britain) 1-6, 6-8, 6-4, 9-7, 6-1. — Reuter.

Pennant Race A Shambles

New York, July 17.
The New York Yankee wins have turried the American League pennant race into a shambles. Just as last year when Boston's Rex Sox ran away from competitors, other contenders are so busy eliminating one another that the Yanks are pulling out of sight.

Their current lead is 10 1/2 games. But Yankee Manager Ducky Harris does not like that sort of thing, for he is fully aware of the misfortunes into which his team can run.

Other, and perhaps better, teams have blown longer leads at much later dates. But the current well-balanced Yankee Club with persistently steady hurling keeps on winning while the second place changes hands day after day.

Ten and a half games is not an impossible handicap to overcome in mid-July but none of the other first division teams appear to be capable of making a sustained drive.

Philadelphia's Harry Walker and Cleveland's Manager-Shortstop Lou Boudreau continue to lead the slugging departments of the National and American baseball leagues respectively.

Walker staged another batting feat last week to increase his current circuit lead by six points to 341 for 76 games—almost exactly half the season.

Boudreau skidded five points in the junior circuit to 345 or seven points ahead of runner-up New York Yankee Joe DiMaggio.

Behind Walker, the National's top ten batters were thoroughly shuffled, with most averages dropping.

The next nine were: Ralph Kiner, Pittsburgh 319; Enos Slaughter, St. Louis and Carl Furillo, Brooklyn, tied at 316; Frank Gustine, Pittsburgh 308; Tommy Holmes and Bob Elliott, Boston, tied at 307; Jackie Robinson, Brooklyn 306.

The next eight behind Boudreau and DiMaggio in the American were: George Kell, Detroit 329; Luke Appling, Chicago 324; George McQuinn, New York 318; Bob Dillinger, St. Louis 310; Barney McCocky, Philadelphia 309; Ted Williams, Boston 303; Bill Johnson, New York 301; Johnny Pesky, Boston 298.

In the specialized department of the junior circuit, DiMaggio continued to lead in runs batted in with 55 and took over the lead in hits with 97.

Williams kept in front in runs scored with 61 but dropped into a homerun tie with Cleveland's Joe Gordon at 18.

Other leaders:
Two-base hits—Pat Mallin, Detroit 24.

Graziano Wins

Chicago, July 16.
Rocky Graziano, tough guy from a New York slum district, proved himself a game fighter tonight by winning the world middleweight championship from Tony Zale.

He scored a technical knockout in 2 minutes 10 seconds in the sixth round of their return fight before 18,046 people at Chicago Stadium.

Graziano's gameness was questioned last September when Zale knocked him out in the sixth round of their first title fight. But tonight the muscular Italian absorbed a battering from the champion in the first four rounds until—with blood streaming from his left brow and with his right eye almost closed—Graziano began to catch up with Zale in the fifth round. Graziano hurt Zale in the fifth round and in the sixth round he slammed a left and a right to Zale's head and a hard right to his jaw, then two more rights to his jaw.
Zale slumped against the ropes. Graziano pounded a left and a right to his head and Zale fell to the canvas. The fight was stopped. — United Press.

SERVICES TENNIS TOURNEY

A three cornered tennis tournament among teams from the Royal Navy, the Army, and the Royal Air Force will be played off at the Navy tennis courts, Causeway Bay on Saturday and Sunday.
Saturday's play will be confined to singles and Sunday's to doubles. Play commences at 3 p.m. on both days. Entry to the courts will be free.

DERBYSHIRE RALLY

Fast Scoring By Revill

Derby, July 16.
Rain interfered with play on several occasions in the three-day match between Derbyshire and the South Africans, which began here today. By the close of play, the county had only scored 186 for seven wickets in their first innings.

When Derbyshire lost four wickets for 78, they seemed in serious trouble. Then Revill joined Elliott (who batted from the start of the innings) and attacked the bowling. He hit Smith for 14 in an over and reached 50 in 70 minutes, but was out with the addition of another ten runs when he mistimed an attempt to drive.

Altogether he batted for 87 minutes for 60 and hit eight fours.
Revill dominated in the fifth wicket stand of 80 before Elliott was out for a patient 58 lasting three and a quarter hours.

The young leg spin bowler, Vivian Smith caused trouble among the batsmen and finished the day with five wickets for 48 runs.

Rain also took toll of most county matches today, but at Lords, where the Gentlemen met the Players, the match was not interfered with, and a brilliant batting display was given by Martin Donnelly, New Zealand Test player and Oxford captain this season.

Donnelly, thought by many to be the world's best left-handed batsman, made 162 not out in two and three quarters hours out of the Gentlemen's total of 302. He hit 26 fours.

Scores

The close of play scores were: —
At Lords: Gentlemen 302 (Edrich 79, Donnelly 162 not out); Players 67 for two.

At Manchester: Lancashire 19 for no wickets versus Northamptonshire; rain prevented further play.

At Huddersfield: Yorkshire 38 for one against Leicestershire; rain prevented further play.

At Birmingham: Warwickshire 104 (Dollery 56, Harding 56 for 38); Kent two for no wickets.

At Westcliffe: Glamorgan 323 (Davies 50, Porter 69, Watkins 75, Peter Smith five for 113); Essex 59 for two.

At Taunton: Somerset 349 for eight (Cooper 113, Watts 51, Tremlett 58 not out); Middlesex to bat.

At Nottingham: Hampshire 222 for two (Rogers 115 not out, McCorkill 60 not out); Nottinghamshire to bat.

At Gloucester: Gloucestershire 99 for three versus Worcestershire; rain restricted play. — Reuter.

C.C.C. BOWLS

The following will represent Craigengower Cricket Club in a friendly lawn bowls game against Penwlion Docks at Kewloon Docks tomorrow at 3.30 p.m.: —
A. A. Razack, M. J. Medina, W. Hong Sling and J. S. Landolt (skip).

J. W. Leonard, A. J. Coe, L. C. R. Souza and B. W. Bradbury (skip).

F. X. Delgado, G. S. Ladd, A. E. Coates and R. Basa (skip).

Players are to meet at the Kewloon side ferry at 3 p.m. Woods will be provided.

Marino Beats Irish Flyweight

Glasgow, July 16.
Salvador Dado Marino, 31-year-old Hawaiian from Honolulu, beat Rinty Monaghan, Irish flyweight boxing champion, who deputised for the world champion, Jack Paterson, in a non-title fight here tonight.

The Irishman was disqualified in the ninth round of the ten rounds' contest for alleged persistent holding.

Marino took a definite step towards achieving his ambition of winning the world flyweight title from Paterson as the result of tonight's fight.

His performance was a great one. He gave away nearly half a stone to his powerful and rugged opponent, but fought to such good purpose that the issue was never in doubt.

In spite of this disadvantage in weight and the fact that he was several years older than the Irishman, Marino did a workmanlike job of beating him and the outcome was a foregone conclusion.

He looked very heavy pun-

Doctor Discharged

(Continued from Page 9)
Doctor's desk. Wong then "took two paces" and went out of the room.

Saw Wong

She returned immediately and raised the blotter to see what was under it. When she saw some \$1 notes she called out to the Doctor who rang the bell and, when Ah Hung entered the room with another patient, told him to take the money out and find the last patient.

The second time she returned to the Doctor's room, she saw a European there and, thinking he was a patient, went back to her own room. Soon after, the Chinese who was with the European in the Doctor's room came into hers and began to search the desks. She reported this to the Doctor after the man had left.

In reply to Mr. Shaffan, witness maintained that she saw Wong bending down and putting the money under the blotter.

Lau Wal-nai, recalled, declared that all prescriptions filled were entered in the two books produced in Court. On May 22, 52 prescriptions were filled for "old patients," and 51 for "new patients," making a total of 86. There might be some patients who did not take their medicine, in which case their name and prescription would not be entered.

After the discharge of Dr. Lim on the first charge, the case against him and Ho Chiu, co-accused, played on the Dispensary was proceeded with on the conspiracy charge.

Tan Lun-lai, married woman, said that she had been sick for a considerable time and on the advice of her aunt went to see the Doctor in the Shamshuipo Public Dispensary on May 14.

When she and her aunt got there they were told that there was not more tickets for the day but that if she wanted to see the Doctor presently she could get a special ticket for \$3. She agreed and was handed a slip of paper. About five minutes later, her name was called by someone outside the Doctor's door and she was admitted into the consultation room.

Ball Reduced

After examination, she was told by the Doctor that her blood was weak and that she needed a triple-compounded injection. The cost of that, she was told, would be \$7. She agreed and, after the injection paid the Doctor \$10. The next injection she had was on July 17 when she paid only \$5, including consultation fee.

Cheung Yuk-lin, married woman, testified to having accompanied her daughter to the Shamshuipo Public Dispensary on May 22 and to paying \$3 for a special ticket. On May 24, she was told that there were no more tickets issued and no more special tickets to be had. A man who did not appear to be a patient, shouted out that special tickets were still obtainable, but she could not get one.

Wong Yau-shing, who gave his profession as "Special Agent of the Police," and address as 43 Spring Garden Lane; first floor, Wanchai, gave evidence on the same lines as that tendered by Lim in the first charge against Dr. Lim.

Hearing will be resumed on July 28. On the application of Mr. Silva, Dr. Lim's bail was reduced from \$10,000 to \$7,000. The bail of Ho Chiu (represented by Mr. A.S.C. Comber) remains at \$500.

Washington, July 16.
Field Marshal Lord Montgomery, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, now touring Australia, will address a secret session of both houses of the New Zealand Parliament on Friday on Empire defence. — Reuter.

TOO MANY BABIES

Tokyo, July 17.
Continuing in the Fukushima collieries, 150 miles north of Tokyo, told a woman Diet member, Mrs. Mino Oka: "There is no other form of amusement here and we are unable to bear our two more babies in town. Please show us birth control methods."
The newspaper "Asahi" said Mrs. Oka was among a group of Diet members who visited the mines to listen to miners' complaints. — United Press.

American Baseball

New York, July 17.
In the National League, rookie centre-fielder Bob Thomson drove in four runs on a homer and a double to spark New York to a 6-3 victory over Chicago.
Thomson got his 15th circuit smash of the season. The Cubs scored all their runs in the ninth inning.

In the American League, Red Sox left fielder Ted Williams bagged three hits, including his 16th homer of the season, as Boston defeated Chicago 7-2.

The White Sox were blanked until the ninth when they scored twice on three hits and a long fly. Detroit and Washington split two games. The Tigers won the opener 9-8 with an eighth inning four run upsurge. Detroit left-fielder Dick Wakenfield drove in five runs with a homer, a double and a single.

The Senators won the nightcap 10-1 as Marino Pieretti hurled a five hitter.

National

Chicago 0 0 1
New York 6 0 3
Winning pitcher Monty Kennedy.

American

Boston 7 11 0
Chicago 2 8 1
Winning pitcher Dennis Lillehouse.

Washington (1st game) 8 14 0
Detroit 10 12 2
Winning pitcher Gorcin.

Washington (2nd game) 10 16 0
Detroit 3 9 3
Winning pitcher Marino Pieretti.

In the National League Boston defeated St. Louis three to 0.
St. Louis 0 6 1
Boston 3 11 0
Winning pitcher Spahn.

Philadelphia's National League handed Cincinnati a four to 0 pasting.
Cincinnati 1 3 1
Philadelphia 4 11 1
Winning pitcher Leonard.

The St. Louis Browns came from behind twice in the eleventh inning of the first game of their doubleheader with the Philadelphia Athletics, finally winning 4 to 4. Home runs by Jeff Heath and Paul Lehner in the eleventh did the trick.

Philadelphia 4 9 1
St. Louis 5 10 2
Winning pitcher Muncie.

— Associated Press.

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2.15 p.m.—Variety Programme presented by Monica Jones.

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2.30 p.m.—London Relay: Home News from Britain.
2.45 p.m.—Dance Music.

2.55 p.m.—Dinah Shore and Her Ink Spots.
3.00 p.m.—The London Symphony Orchestra.
3.05 p.m.—U.B.C. Transcription Service: The Fellowship of the Frog. By Edgar Wallace. Episode 1: "The Frog Strikes".

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3.15 p.m.—Weather Report.
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3.30 p.m.—Close Down.

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